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A BRIEF HISTORY
OF THE
EILAR FAMILY

As

REVEALED BY FAMILY AND STATE RECORDS

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INTRODUCTION

"Facts pertaining to family history like wine - improve in value with age." The quotation is in the family Bible and in the handwriting of Augustus L. Eilar, dated January 18, 1905.

With the sentiment expressed in this quotation, Horace A. Eilar asked his brother, Jesse H. Eilar, to compile in some sort of readable form all the known facts concerning the family origin, and children. The facts are taken from family and state records and are within a reasonable degree accurate.

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DEDICATION

This history is dedicated to Mary Elizabeth Jane "Pet" Robertson Eilar, by her son Horace, who is the last of a numerous family to share the family table with her, as a regular boarder. Mother weighs, and has since her children can remember, about two hundred pounds; is in excellent health, and bids fair to rival her grandmother Robertson, who reared her as a child. She was named in the above fashion because all her grandparents wanted her named after them; and in despair her folks came to call her "Pet" for short. This may have added to her weight! At least, it didn't subtract anything from it!

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I

EARLY ORIGIN OF THE FAMILY

A stained scrap of paper dated June 16, 1704, states that W. Conrad Oiler paid in full of account the sum of twenty-nine shillings two pence. This scrap of receipted paper has been in the family possession for 230 years, and is now preserved by J. H. Eilar, of New Castle, Indiana.

A letter from H. H. Shenk, state archivist of Pennsylvania, shows that a deposition is made by Valentine Eyler in Lancaster County, Penn., Aug. 29, 1746. Valentine deposes that his age is 24, and his father's name is Conrad Eyler. Again in 1756 Valentine deposes, this time in York County, which was erected from Lancaster County.

Records furthermore show that Conrad Eyler bought 200 acres of land in Lancaster County in 1738. Both he and his son Valentine made their mark in these legal transactions.

It is entirely logical to assume that the W. Conrad Oiller of the family heirloom and the Conrad Eyler of the Pennsylvania records are one and the same man. Since in the first century of the family residence in America no one who transacted legal business was sufficiently familiar with the English language to correct errors, the name was always spelled as it sounded.

In the family papers the name appears in the following devious manner: Oiller, Euler, Oyler Eyler, Eyeler, Iler, Ilar, Oilar, Ehler, Eiler, Eilers, Eisler, and finally Eilar. Ship records show many Eylers and Eilers arriving from Rotterdam and Amsterdam into Philadelphia between the years 1689 and 1748. There is direct reason to assume that these men came from the German Palatinate during the disturbances occurring between these dates.

The German Palatinate was a division of Bavaria, a Free State, with the capital at Speyer. It was a region noted for its wine, flax, potatoes, and bountiful crops of wheat, rye, barley, tobacco, and hemp. The counts Palatinate appear as far back as the 11th century, holding leading positions among the German princes. During the wars of Louis XIV the Palatinate was mercilessly devastated by the French armies, and during the years immediately following 1689 the landed Bavarians were forced to seek fresh start in other lands. Mnay came to America. Most of them settled in Pennsylvania as "Pennsylvania Dutch."

Whether W. Conrad Oiller came as a dispossessed Bavarian in this period is of course not fully known; but evidence points almost conclusively that way. Whether landed or titled baron, or merely commoner, is a matter of guess work, for prince and peasant were reduced to a common level by these wars.

Prof. Knipp of the University of Illinois reports to the writer having spent some time in the Deutscher-Euler House, a large hotel in Switzerland. A Leonardo Euler contributed a trignometric function to mathematics.

The German umlaut "EU" is pronounced "OI" or "OY". If W. Conrad came, endentured, as the records show, from Amsterdam, and told his creditor that his name was W. Conrad Euler, his way of pronouncing the name would have justified the spelling on the receipt referred to above. And on various occasions the same error would be accounted for on the part of those who took the name by sound from a German immigrant whose knowledge of English didn't admit of correction of such errors.

Popular given names back through all the state and family records are; William, Valentine, John, Jacob, Samuel, George, Benjamin, Daniel, Martin, David. The writer's father was named Augustus Valentine, carrying forward this tradition; but when he embarked upon a business career he thougt the middle initial was not euphonious, so he changed it to L.

This much, then, is evident: Sometime between 1689 and 1704 W. Conrad Oiler (Euler) was shipped, endentured, from Bavaria to Pennsylvania, and by 1724 was father of a son named Valentine. He bought a farm in Lancaster County, running true to inherited tendency, in 1738. And it seems that his son JACOB ~~Valentine~~ has become by 1745 the father of a son, whom he names
32 Valentine. This son is born in Lancaster County, Penn., and died near Dayton, Ohio, Dec., 13, 1813, age 68, and is buried there.

In 1747 Susannah Culp was born in the same locality that was the early home of Valentine Eilar. In 1762 she became a member of the German Baptist Church and retained her membership until her death which occurred March 27, 1838. Her headstone is in the Brick Cemetry, near Hagerstown, Indiana, where she was buried at the advanced age of 91 years. Sometime in early life she had become the wife of Valentine Eil~~a~~er.

Revolutionary War records, in the Henry County Historical Society and in Pennsylvania State Records show the names of Henry Eiler, Martin and Michael Ehler, as enlisted in the Firing Squadron, mustered in at Lancaster from surrounding areas. Many Culps were in the army; but the name of Valentine is not listed. If as a German Baptist he served, it may have been for short terms of enlistment in troops not regularly enumerated.

In the first United States Census, taken in 1790, Valentine Ehler is listed as head of a family and as having one son and one daughter. This may or may not have been our ancestor,

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but if it was he migrated to Grozeal Island, Colchester Township, Essex County, Upper Canada, prior to March 17, 1791, at which time it is recorded in the Samuel Eilar Bible that young "Sammy" entered this life. Grozeal Island is just across Lake Erie, and would have been accessible in that period of time. Why the family went to Canada and remained for about twenty years is again not known.

II

SAMUEL EILAR AND HIS FAMILY

USA

Samuel Eilar was born on Grozeal Island, Colchester Twp., Essex County, Upper Canada, March 17, 1791, according to the family Bible. In the same vicinity Feb. 19, 1791, was born Susannah Snider.

On January 29, 1811, Samuel Eilar and Susannah Snider were united in marriage by R. Richardson, Esq. Shortly after the marriage Samuel and wife moved across Lake Erie, and down into the vicinity of Dayton, Ohio. With them came Valentine and Susannah, the parents of Samuel. As stated above, Valentine passed away in the winter of 1813, and is buried near Dayton.

While Samuel resides near Dayton, Ohio, three children are born; David, on June 15, 1813; Elizabeth, on Aug. 9, 1815; Ester, May 8, 1817. It is shown that Samuel is drafted for service in the War of 1812, but religious scruples and his recent migration from Canada lead him to secure a substitute.

In about 1818 Samuel and family, together with his mother, Susannah Culp Eilar, moved to Wayne County, Indiana, and Samuel bought 160 acres of land from the government at the location of what is now the Brick Church, one mile west of Hagerstown, Indiana. Here Samuel built a substantial house and barn, and donated the land for the Brick Church, and aided in the erection of the Church which is still standing. The original barn, remodeled, is standing.

Solomon, infant son of Samuel and Susannah, was the first person buried in the Brick Cemetery, which was then the family burial ground on the hill, under the evergreens. Near Solomon's grave is the grave of Susannah Culp Eiler, and her stone records that at the time of her death--March 27, 1838--she was 91 years old, and "was a member of the German Baptist Church for 75 years." In her later years she served as sort of doctor and mid-wife for the neighbors in her community.

The writer has heard many old residents tell of the sturdy, jovial nature and striking personality of Sammy Eilar, whom they recalled as children attending the "Big Meetings" held annually in the Brick, and heralding a season of big "feeds" and gay times for the children; and of happy re-unions for the elders. Benjamin William Eilar leaves this reminder: "Gnandfather Eilar was a large man, weighing about 250 pounds; he had a fair complexion, wore a full beard, and long hair. He was known far and near for his generosity, and would drive in the old family high-wheeled wagon (which is still owned by David Woolard and was exhibited in the Hagerstown Centennial) and leave meat, flour, and other provisions at the door of needy widows, and orphans, driving quickly away before they could embarrass him with their thanks.

Samuel died while on a visit in Kosiusko County, Indiana, June 12, 1875, at the age of 85. He had never been sick, it is said.

DATA CONCERNING THE CHILDREN OF SAMUEL AND SUSANNAH EILAR:

10248 David; born near Dayton, June 15, 1813 2; married Martha Kidwell; died in Wells County, Indiana 91 yrs June 1, 1904

10686 Elizabeth; born near Dayton, Aug. 9, 1815; married ~~O. Hardman~~; died near Cicero, Indiana. George Cornelius

10866 Ester; born near Dayton, May 8, 1817; never married; died Sept. 3, 1902, age 85. (Known as "Aunt Het".)

10867 Samuel; born near Hagerstown ?, Ind. March 2, 1819; died Dec. 23, 1905, age 86. Buried at Miller Cemetery, near Middletown.

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X Ann Susana; born May 21, 1821 married Mike Busher; died 1906, and was buried at Arcadia, near Jacob and Ester.

X Susanna Burkett. Anna; born Sept. 3, 1823; died in Kosiusko Co., 1906, age 83.

11399 Solomon, born 1825; died in infancy; first person buried at brick.

11400 Salome; born Dec. 3, 1826; married John Richardson; died 1872; buried at Mexico, Howard County.

11544 Jacob; born Feb. 13, 1829; died in 1903, age 74.

11669 Benjamin; born in 1831; died and buried near Poneto, Indiana.

11843 Daniel Hardman Eilar, born Oct. 5, 1834; killed by "damps" in a well, on the Covalt farm, near Millville, Indiana, August 17, 1892, age 58.

III

DANIEL EILAR AND HIS FAMILY

On January 18, 1860, Daniel H. Eilar and Margaret Smith were married by Christian Holler at the home of John Richardson, at Buck Creek, Indiana, in Henry County. They at first lived on the "Shultz Place", in a cabin in the woods, between the Solomon Bowman farm and the Samuel Eilar homestead. Here, as Grandma used to say, "Gust was a baby."

The children of Samuel Eilar drifted away from the "Good Earth" and lost their land hunger in this generation. But they continued to have an instinctive yearning for the early morning dew, and the rising sun, which no doubt has come down from their Bavarian land-loving ancestors back of the days of W. Conrad Euler.

Many are the tales the writer has heard--and still hears--of the gigantic strength of Daniel Eilar, and his feats of physical prowess in barn raisings and elsewhere. He stood considerably above six feet, and was muscular, with never much surplus weight, although the scales registered far above the 200 pound mark. He left the shelter of the family home and took to well digging as a trade.

In 1864 Daniel and Margaret moved to a three and one-half acre plot, deeded to them by Margaret's father, John Smith. Here were born many of their Children, and here died Margaret and Daniel. This is located five miles west of Hagerstown, Indiana, and is in Liberty Township, Henry County. It is now occupied and owned by Elizabeth Eilar, widow of Augustus L. Eilar, son of Daniel and Margaret.

A word about the Smith family might be in order here:

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John Smith father of Margaret, was born in Pennsylvania, Jan. 11, 1812. Later he was a carpenter near Dayton, Ohio, where he married Mary Bowser, who was born near Dayton, Aug. 13, 1813. John Smith was of English origin, and Mary Bowser was Dutch or German, as we have the records. John was a great church and Sunday School worker and organizer, having organized the Sunday School of the Brethern at Locust Grove. He came to Indiana and settled first near Cicero, Indiana, a place which Grandma called the "Salamone". Then, she says, "We moved to this settlement from the Salamone when I was three years old."

The Smith homestead is in Liberty Township, Henry County, and the three acre plot is still in the family. There are four houses now on the original eighty-acre farm. John Smith died May 23, 1883; and Mary died March 25, 1890, on the Liberty Township farm. Both are buried at the Brick near the Eilar family of Samuel.

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Grandma's brothers and sisters were: Daniel, the doctor, who left one son, named "Little George", now deceased; Mary, Sarah, Julia, Corinne, and Johnny. Only Sarah and Corinne are surviving. Elizabeth, called "Sis"; Henry, a justice of the peace in Newcastle, and survived by Will O. Smith, a son; "the twins" ; George; Rebecca; ~~5780~~ 57180 and "Nan" Heaston. George is survived by his daughter, Ida Hoover, Rebecca moved to California and is buried there. She married Orlando Foutz, and is survived by several children in California; "Nan" married Dan Heaston, and is survived by her children, near Huntington, Ind.

Margaret died at her home April 18, 1918 age 77, and is buried at the Brick Cemetery.

The children of Daniel and Margaret Eilar were as follows:

11845 Charles Sandford, born March 28, 1862; died in infancy.

11846 Augustus L. born Sept. 29, 1864; died Nov. 1, 1927, age 63.

11910 James Martin, born Nov. 18, 1867; died in infancy.

11911 Benjamin William, born Nov. 29, 1870; died Feb. 2, 1930 age 60.

11923 Samuel George, born Feb. 21, 1873.

11979 Elnora, born Feb. 1, 1876.

11981 Lewis Daniel, born Jan. 25, 1879.

Of the children of Daniel Eilar, Benjamin William went to Newcastle and engaged successively in the drug business, bridgebuilding, and later became color sergeant in his regiment in the Spanish American War. He was retired on a pension; married Lobelle Clark, a practical nurse, Nov 8, 1922; and died Feb. 2, 1930, leaving a daughter Virgie and a son, Billy, Jr. "Bill", as he was known, stood almost six and a half feet in height, weighed almost 300 pounds, and was the tallest man in his regiment. He was very intelligent, thrifty, and left his family a fair competence.

Samuel George followed his father in the trade of well drilling. He married Alpha Lenora Pressel, May 13, 1903; and is the father of a large family of daughters and one son. They are: Goldie, deceased; Clara Francis; Mabel; Hazel; Dorothy; Pauline; Mildred; Norman. Samuel has been a devoted church worker all his life, is rated as one of the strongest men in the county, and is a worthy name sake of Sammy Eilar of the past. He owns different properties in Newcastle and in Liberty Township and has a thrifty wife who bears an enviable reputation for hospitality and as being an unusually good cook of appetizing dinners.

Elnora married Orlando Brooks Locke Jan. 25, 1898. Orlando was the son of Aaron and Charity Brooks Locke, a fine old pioneer family of Wayne County. He died April , 1933. Elnora, a faithful member of the Brethern Church, survives and resides in Ashland, Indiana.

Lewis Daniel married Grace Moore, July 1, 1905. He lives in Newcastle, Indiana, and is engaged in the well business. His wife is unusually well informed, cultured, and a faultless house keeper. They have one daughter, Opal, wife of Robert Carter.

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AUGUSTUS L. EILAR AND HIS FAMILY

Augustus L. Eilar was born, as we have stated, on the "Shultz Place" Sept. 29, 1864. If I.Qs had been invented in his day, he beyond question would have registered as "genius".

In his prime he stood well above six feet in height. and weighed about 260 pounds. Possessed of a driving urge to know things, and being a tireless reader, he built up a store of knowledge and facts that gave him the reputation of limitless learning. He taught school for six years; engaged successively in the drug and real estate business; then invented a standard business chart, which the Courier Publishing Company printed for him.

He reached his place as super-salesman; and when attired in his Prince Albert coat, silk top hat, diamond "dazzler"; patent leather shoes; an imposing presence, he invariably made his sale. In fact, he laid the foundation of a large estate, starting so many real estate purchases, that when the financial collapse came in the middle nineties everything went and he found himself with a growing family and the necessity for a fresh start, just as W. Conrad Euler had found himself back in the days of the Palatinate collapse.

Many tales are told of his strength, his brilliant conversational ability, his vast memory of people and events, and his achievements. After his losses, and a period of partial stagnation, he came back and worked as advertising manager of the Newcastle Times, and regained much of his zest and zeal. A strenuous life, together with his boundless appetite for good food, which was equally effective at midnight as at mid-day, led to his untimely death at the too-early age of 63, from circulatory breakdown.

His brother, William had receipts of chart sales far in excess of $125,000. But "Dad" held to the story that "anyone that looked upon money as a thing to save has a microbe working on him". He spent joyously; when employed kept the cupboard filled with "eats" of every description; and surrounded his family with "books", books, and more books; astronomy, chemistry, philosophy, travel, fiction, history. He was a gardener whose handiwork made passersby stop and admire; an obituary writer whose obituaries are still the talk of his neighborhood; and his advice to his sons was: "Whatever is worth doing at all, be it digging a ditch, ricking up cordwood, teaching school, or making a garden, is worth doing well."

He and mother had the faculty of laughing until their sides shook over human interest happenings among their friends and acquaintances.

When a young school teacher in the Chicago Corner neighborhood "Gus" met and married a girl named Elizabeth Jane Robertson. He was 21 and she was 15. They "went to housekeeping on the Wayne County line in the Frank Hoover home. Later they moved to Newcastle, Indiana,

shortly after their marriage which occurred Dec. 13, 1885, and finally they returned to Liberty Township to the Daniel Eilar homestead, at which place Augustus died, Nov. 1, 1927.

The children of Augustus L. and Elizabeth Jane Eilar were:

11848 Lola Agnes, born in Liberty Township, March 1, 1887. Tues. 9 P.M.
11861 Jesse Howard, born Feb. 6, 1889, in Newcastle, Ind. Wed. 2 A.M.
11870 Ethel Evelyn, born Sept. 23, 1891, in Newcastle, Ind. Died in infancy.
11871 Grace Marie, born Oct. 13, 1892, in Newcastle, Ind. Thurs. 4. P.M.
11880 Russell Edgar, born Dec. 28, 1894, in Newcastle, Ind. Friday, 7:30 P.M.
11893 Loring Augustus, born July 8, 1897, in Newcastle, Ind. Thurs. 9:15 P.M.
11897 Horace Addison, born March 10, 1901, in Liberty Township Sun, 10 P.M.
11898 Ruby Florence, born Feb. 22, 1905, in Liberty Township 9:30 P.M.
11905 Ronald Harvey, born April 4, 1909, in Liberty Township Sun. 8:30 P.M.

Lola married Henry F. Weber, Nov. 26, 1904, at the home of Samuel and Nora Eilar, in Newcastle, Ind. Their children were: Raymond Ellsworth, born in Hagerstown, Sept. 20,1905; Norman Clarence, born in Liberty Twp., May 13, 1908; Howard Earl, born in Liberty Twp., Mar. 23, 1910. Lola died Mar. 30, 1910, age 23 years and is buried at the Brick. Henry died Jan. 13, 1918, age 35 years and is buried at the Brick.

The three sons of Henry and Lola are fine young men married to exceptionally capable and attractive young women, and all have favorable employment. Raymond was married to Juanita Scott, August ,1928, and resides in Hagerstown, Indiana. Norman married Dorothy Currant, of Mooreland, and likewise lives in Hagerstown. Howard married Cleta Carter and with their son, Thomas David born June 3, 1932, resides in New Lisbon, Indiana.

Jesse H. married Grace M. Schepman, of Newcastle, Indiana, Nov. 26, 1911, and they started housekeeping in New Lisbon, Indiana, where Jesse was principal of the high school. Here Lothair Alwin was born March 22, 1913; and Howard Alton was born in Hagerstown, where his father was then located as high school principal, May 18, 1917. Grace M. combines in her nature those attributes rather limited in her husband, namely sociability, the art of enjoying the company of friends. She loves flowers and nature; and has the German thrift inherited from her paternal ancestors, plus their industry and thoroughness. The Wentworths, her mothers people, are English.

Russell Edgar, married Pearl Elizabeth Downing, of Laramie, Wyoming, Nov. 20, 1920. To pep things up in this western setting, came Patritia Maize, born in Levinson Memorial Hospital, Laramie, Wyo., Sept. 27, 1921, at 4 A.M. "She weighed seven pounds eight ounces, and her shipping condition was good." Kendrick Russell, the son, came June 27, 1924. These two children of the west are healthy, energetic and natively endowed with more than ordinary personality. They get no small portion

of this from their mother, who impresses her Indiana relatives as the embodiment of rare and coveted graces. Russell always a deep thinker and the essence of self reliance, has traveled extensively and held fine positions of trust with the Union Pacific railroad and mining companies. He was a teacher for several years.

Grace Marie married Henry F. Weber June 6, 1911. She mothered the little nephews and later had the pleasure of mothering her own daughter, Leola Maxine, who is now a senior in Spiceland high school, and in a very unassuming way is very much attached to her three big brothers, Raymond, Norman, and Howard. Leola Maxine was born in Blountsville, Ind., Feb. 14, 1917, at 8:30 P.M. Grace married Mark Kirklin Dec. 14, 1922.

Loring A. married Bernice Coble, May 8, 1923. Two children were born; Armel, Aug. 24, 1924, and Lois Oct. 3, 1925. Both died in infancy. Bernice is a teacher of resource and ability. She is active in club work in Spiceland and in the county. Her family, the Cobles of near Logansport, are hospitable and sociable, and Bernice carries their good graces even farther than they.

Florence married Elmer Whisler, Aug. 22, 1923. They have two daughters, namely Betty Reba Elizabeth, born July 21, 1925; and Phyllis Jean, born August 14, 1929. Elmer is a model husband, and a good provider as well as a devoted husband.

Ronald Harvey married Lorene Reece, Sept. 19, 1932. They have a baby which they prize above tangible wealth, Rheta Jerene. Lorene is a daughter of Vance Reece and granddaughter of Henry Shock, a substantial Liberty Township farmer. She is wide awake, and keeps abreast of the times to an unusual degree.

The Robertson family has an interesting background. David S. Robertson came from Rockridge County, Virginia, to Hagerstown and married Jane Allen, who came from Chambersburg, Penn. The Robertson family came from Scotland; and the Allens from Ireland, according to best tradition. David was born in 1812, and died May 20, 1890. Jane Allen was born in Pennsylvania, in 1809, and died in Hagerstown, Sept. 21, 1899, at the age of 91.

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Mother Eilar's father was John Harvey Robertson, one of the three sons of David and Jane Robertson. Their sons were: William, Harvey, and Frank. They had no daughter, but when Mary Shandley came from New York City in about the year 1862, as an orphan from a fine but broken home in that city, they had a daughter in her until they both had passed away. Mary is now living at the home of J. H. Eilar in Newcastle, and has many friends all over the county, and in Delaware County, where she is well and favorably known.

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Mother's mother was Anna Raffe, daughter of Jesse Raffe, and granddaughter of Daniel and Anna Bowman. The three Bowman brothers came to this country from Hesse-Dammstadt, about the time of the Revolution. Daniel Bowman died in Oct. ,1894, at the age of 85. Anna, his wife, died in 1879, age71. They were called "Grandaddy and Granny" by mother, who recalls the happy Christmas seasons spent always at the home of Daniel and Anna. They had reared Anna Raffe and cared for her as tenderly as they would have cared for their child, instead of grandchild.

Jesse Raffe died in 1854 at the age of 25. His wife, Elizabeth Bowman Raffe Studebaker, died in 1862, at the age of 28. These were the grandparents of mother. Anna Raffe Robertson died July 27, 1873, age 22. She was the wife of Harvey Robertson, and mother's mother. She had four children, Willie, who died in 1889 at the age of 10 months; Elizabeth, who is living and mother of the compilers of this brief history; an infant daughter who died in 1872 age 8 days; and an infant son who died in 1873. Anna was injured in an accident and death resulted from complications.

Harvey Robertson, mother's father, died Oct. 15, 1918, age 71 years. He and his wife Anna are buried at the Ulrich Cemetery.

In closing, we may say that the children of Augustus L. Eilar have inherited the desire to go places and do things. They have definitely left the good earth, but definitely love it.

Jesse H. has secured four college diplomas, and holds three degrees from Indiana University. He has taught school for the past several years, serving as high school principal and later as county superintendent of schools for Henry County. He has made over seven hundred public addresses and teaches a large group of men in the first M.E. Church of Newcastle. He and his family have traveled extensively in the United States and Canada.

Russell E. attended college for some years and then after teaching in high school for some time he went into the practical field of railroading in the west.

Loring A. has secured his Master of Arts degree and is a teacher in the Spiceland high school. He has taught for several years and is one of the most capable and popular teachers in the county.

Horace A. employed in the advertising department of the Perfect Circle Co. at Hagerstown. While not yet married, there seems to be some magnet in Muncie that attracts him irresistably each week end. He has traveled extensively and has a broad, practical education.

Ronald H. is a barber in New Lisbon, and a graduate of the Indianapolis barber college.

APPENDIX NUMBER ONE

1. There is in Bavaria, Germany, a river with the name ILLER RIVER.

2. The socalled Pennsylvania "Dutch", says the NEW STANDARD ENCYCLOPEDIA, were imigrants who came to Pennsylvania from Bavaria shortly after 1683.

3. This same reference shows that Leonhard Euler (1707-1783) was called to Berlin by Frederick II to take the chair of mathematics in the Academy of Sciences. Euler wrote 473 memoirs published during his life and 200 which were published after his death.

4. August Euler is a recent product of the branch of the Euler family which stayed in Bavaria. He was physical chemist in the University of Stockholm in 1898; during the world war he served in the Bavarian Army; and in 1929 was awarded the Nobel Prize for his contributions in bio-chemistry. He was born in 1873, and unless recently deceased is still living, as he was alive in 1930. He was born at Augsburgh, Bavaria, and educated at the University of Berlin, and in two other German Universities.

5. Suggested sources of further information would be:
   (a) Communicate with August Euler, University of Stockholm, concerning background.
   (b) Communicate with county clerks of York County, Dauphin County, Lancaster County, for ancient records.
   (c) Write to postmaster at Colchester, Essex County, Ontario, Canada, for information as to any member of family residing there now, and find if they know why Valentine went to Canada.
   (d) Penn. Historical Society; or German Baptist groups.

6. Interesting Sunday drives in summer weather would be:
   (a) To the Salamonie River at Lancaster, in Huntington Co. Here is buried Uncle Ben Heaston and Aunt Nan. This is the Salamonie which grandma spoke so often about. It starts near Ft. Recovery, Ohio, at or near Salomonia.
   (b) Another drive would include Cicero and Arcadia, due north of Noblesville. At Cicero were born Uncle George, Will, the twins, and grandma. At Arcadia, or near there, are buried: Uncle Jake Eilar, Aunt "Het", and Aunt Susannah Eilar Busher. Elizabeth Eilar Cornelius is buried at or near Cicero.

APPENDIX NUMBER TWO

1. Dr. John Silbert Eilar, son of John, grandson of Jacob, brings this corroborative evidence from Pennsylvania:

2. ~~W.~~ CONRAD EULER (OILER): Father of six children; died 1751; without a will. Settled on 200 acres of land, taken by warrant, in 1738, at "Digg's Choice", on Conewago Creek, near Hanover, York and Gettysburg, Penn. In this same settlement the Clups, Sniders,and other families, later related by marriage, lived. In 1740, Jacob Euler, oldest son of Conrad, sponsored the first Lutheran baptism in that settlement. Valentine, youngest son of Conrad, later bought out the other heirs. Conrad was probably born in the Palatinate in 1684; was in Penn., in 1704.

3. VALENTINE OILER: Born 1722; place unknown. Died Mar. 2, 1792, was buried at Arendtsville, Penn., near Gettysburg, on the Conewago Creek, at Digg's Choice. His will is recorded at York. The Americanized spelling as it sounds is: VALENTINE OILER.

4. VALENTINE EILER: Born in 1745 at Digg's Choice settlement, Penn., Married Susannah Culp, same settlement. He migrated to Canada sometime between 1781-1790, along with the Sniders, Arners, Weigles, some Culps. On Mar. 17, 1791, on Gros Isle (Grozeal), Colchester Twp., Samuel Eiler was born; and not far distant Susannah Snider, his future wife, arrived at about the same time. Valentine returned to the States, and died near Dayton, Ohio, Dec. 13, 1813. His will is recorded at Dayton, and he makes his mark, as did Valentine I and Conrad. The clerk spells his name: VALENTINE EILER. Some of the papers and letters relative to his estate spell his name: OILER, OILAR.

5. Evidence supports our assumption that our migratory Conrad was either ~~W.~~ CONRAD EILAR or ~~W.~~ CONRAD EULER, (OILER). Both are good German names, but designate different families. Says Dr. Eilar: "The Penn. Dutch say EILER and EULER eactly alike, and don't know when they say them differently." German readers in the story of the hare and the * tortoise call the hare "EILER" which means, IN A HURRY." But the name "EULER" means "THE POTTER" or worker in pottery, according to Ken Von Euler, son of August Von Euler, and consul at Chicago. The German clerks enter the name as EULER in the Lutheran Church records, and they should have the family properly allocated. It is logical to assume that our forebear was ~~W.~~ CONRAD VON EULER, the younger son who, says August Von Euler, left the Palatinate prior to 1704 and went up into the Rhineland and was lost from family records. The VON EULER family tree extends back to 1450.

6. THE FIRST EILER REUNION: At Warsaw, Ind., Aug. 16, 1936. About 100 in attendance; a fine day; a fine place; a fine time. Of the eleven children of Samuel and Susannah Eiler, representatives were:
DAVID EILER: by grandsons, Rev. Will L. and Rev. Will S. Eiler.

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Eilem mean "In a hurry"

APPENDIX NUMBER TWO (Continued)

SAMUEL EILER: by grandsons Thos. J. Collins, and Clarence & Cecil as great grandsons; also their children.
JACOB EILAR: by letter from Dr. J. S. Eilar.
BENJAMIN EILAR: by his son Ol, and grandson, Ora.
DANIEL EILAR: by his sons Samuel and Lewis Daniel; and grandson Jesse H; great grandsons Lothair and Howard.

Officers: Thos. J. Eiler, Pres. -- Clarence, Secy. -- Rev. Will, Vice Pres. -- Ol Eilar, Honorary President due to age.

APPENDIX NUMBER THREE

1. A letter from Lottie M. Bausman, of Lancaster, Penn., Aug. 28, 1936, supplements data already recorded:

2. On Oct. 3, 1738, Conrad Eyler and his oldest son Jacob Eyler took out a warrant for 200 acres, each, from the Penns. See Pennsylvania Archives, 3rd series, Vol. XXIV, p. 399. Warrantees of Land in Lancaster County. This land was situated on the branch of Codorus Creek, west side of the Susquehannah River, then a part of Lancaster County, now in Manheim Twp., York County.

3. On Dec. 1, 1763, Valentine Eyler bought of Jacob Eyler that tract of land, on which he was living at the time. Note: The family of Conrad was originally on the Conewago Creek, near Hanover, but the 400 acre purchase was on a branch of the Codorus Creek, not far distant across the county.

4. Lottie Bausman, and expert at genealogy, says of the name: "A clerk at Philadelphia asking a newcomer his name would write it as it sounded to him; but when Rev. John Casper Stoever, himself a German with a college education, put it down in his own records as EULER (and it looks as though he knew the family well) it would seem to be the most trustworthy. I would take it in preference to a clerk's hurried scrawl."

5. The persistence and variations in spelling show in the day of our well known Valentine II and Samuel in the following dated papers before me now:
    a. Mar. 20, 1854: Samuel Eyler. (Receipt by D. Hardman)
    b. Apr. 3, 1852: Mr. Sam Euler. (A doctor's prescription)
    c. Nov. 29, 1828: Mr. Saml Oiler. (Tax recpt. in Dayton, Ohio on outlot No. 48)
    d. Nov. 1, 1827: Sam Oiler. (Same, from Dayton, Ohio)
    e. May 23, 1814: The Estate of Valentine Oilar by debtor.
    f. Apr. 25, 1808: Valentine Oilar receipt.
    g. Sept. 14, 1811: Bill to Valentine Oiler.

6. John George Eyler, so listed in ship records, took the oath of allegiance as John Euler, in 1737.

7. It is logical to assume that Conrad Euler may have returned to his German home after 1704, married there, and possibly his son Valentine may have been born in Germany, as the old "Dunkard" or German Baptist records state. That would account for church records and shipping records of dates later than 1704, the date of our "control" CONRAD OILER scrip in family papers. The Conrad Iller who came in 1729 might have been our Conrad on one of his migratory voyages to the old country.

8. Corrections as of page 5:
DAVID EILER was born near Dayton, June 15, 1812; Died in Wells County,
June 1, 1904, aged 91 years.
ELIZABETH EILER married George Cornelius.
ANN EILER married Mike Busher; not Susanna as stated.
SUSANNA EILER became a Burkett by marriage.
SALOME EILER married John Richardson.

EILER REUNION
1936

The first annual reunion of the Eiler clan was held at the Warsaw City Park Sunday August 16. Everyone enjoyed a bounteous basket dinner at the noon hour. The crowds arrived in the park early, however, and visited and enjoyed the recreational facilities of the fine park. Permanent officers were elected as follows:

Thomas J. Eiler, Hicksville, O., president; Oliver P. Eilar, Marion, honorary president; Rev. William H. Eiler, Roann, first vice president; Rev. William L. Eiler, Young America, second vice president; C. O. Eiler, Bourbon, secretary-treasurer.

Those present were: Mrs. B. W. Eilar, Virgie Eilar, Wilma, Eilar, Billy Eilar, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Eilar, Frances Eilar, Hazel Eilar, Mildred Eilar, Norman Eilar, Pauline Eilar, Dorothy Laurie, Annie Laurie, Rev. and Mrs. Fred Yockey, Buford Yockey, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse H. Eilar, Lothair Eilar, Howard Eilar, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Eilar, Robert and Opal Eilar, Floyd Alston, Mr. and Mrs. John Stottler and Buster Stottler, of Newcastle, Eskline and Gloria Schepman, of Richmond, Ind., O. P. Eilar and O. Z. Eilar, of Marion, Ind., Mr. and Mrs. Paul Eiler, Leta Ann Eiler and Robert Austin Eiler, of Rochester; Rev. Wm. L. Eiler, of Young America, Ind.; Rev. and Mrs. Wm. H. Eiler, Dale Eiler, Ruth Eiler, Mae Eiler, of Denver, Ind.; Galen Eiler, of Roann; Mr and Mrs. Colling Eiler, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Eiler, Suzanne and Elaine Eiler, of North Manchester; Mrs. S. S. Eiler, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cumberland, of Claypool; Mary E. Mollenhour,of Akron; Mrs. Susie Tucker, of Mentone; Mr. and Mrs. Royal Montel,of Milford; Bessie Evelyn Montel, Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Eiler, William B. Eiler, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Short, Virginia Short, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Vendemark, Everett L. Vandemark, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard E. Eiler, Carroll Eiler, of Warsaw; Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Eiler, Mrs. Emma Perrin, of Hicksville, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Eiler, Katherine Eiler, Robert Eiler, Winifred Eiler, Mrs. Chas. Gordon, and Bethel Joan Gordon, of Bourbon.

The next reunion will be held at Memorial Park, New Castle, Indiana, on the first Sunday in August, 1937.

C. O. Eiler
Secy-Treas.

Appendix Number Four
July 20,1942

I. **"OUR ANCESTORS"** by Homer Eiler, 1515 Grove Ave., Topeka, Kans.
   a. This book is in the State Historical Library,Indianapolis.
   It is dedicated to Lewis Eiler, father of Homer.
   b. In his line, three brothers came from Hesse-Darmstadt in 1800; Conrad, Jacob, and another. Their dated arrival puts them outside our direct line and in the cousin category,
   c. Here is a citation on our direct line: " There is a numerous family in Canada which first settled in Pennsylvania, early going to a region across from Detroit. Kingsley Iler, Arner, Essex Co., Ontario, Canada, is a living member of this branch. He says of Jacob Iler; 'Little is known of his origin, but he was religious, a Lutheran, and a potter by trade."

II. **PROF. CLEMENT EILER,DEAN OF MEN, MILLIGAN, COLLEGE, TENN:**
   a. A Christian preacher told me of this man. Clement may be of the Conrad-Jacob line of the land grant of 1738. This line drifted across the Mary;and line into Virginia, Carolinas, Tennessee.

III. **E.RALSTON GOLDSBOROUGH, Rm.2,Pythian Castle, Bldg., Frederick, Md.**
   a. He is a geneologist.
   b. He calls attention to an 'Eyler Valley' in Frederick County and into Pennsylvania. He states that Diggs Choice was a part of Brothers Agreement and that the land was in Maryland until the line was moved 20 miles south, its present location.
   c. He found two deeds executed by our Valentine, which pushes the documentary evidence back a few years.
      1. DEC. 23, 1771; A deed was executed by a Mr. Cooper and a Mr. Woodman (or Goodman?) in favor of Valentine Eiler and wife Susannah. It was a tract known as Muddy Spring and later Cooper's [illegible] In Frederick County, Maryland.
      2. SEPT. 18, 1779; A deed was executed by Valentine Eiler and wife Susannah in favor of Conrad Eiler. Same tract as above.
   d. Mr. Goldsborough found a will made in 1815 by Conrad Iler and his children are; Conrad,John, Jacob, Peter, Barbara Wetzel, Catherine Fogle, Margaret. Wife, Barbara; also a son, Henry, who is to receive the tract known as Iler's Character if he settles down. This Conrad Iler voted in the presidential election of 17[illegible].

IV. **"VALENTINE EILER'S NATIVE STATE WAS MARYLAND"**
   History of Mad River Twp., Dayton, Ohio, Peter Lemon papers.
   a. "Valentine Oyler came to Dayton from Canada in 1796, was a Tory and had to leave his native state Maryland during the Revolutionary War and flee to Canada. He settled on Section 21, the Mary Woodman farm, and raised a family. He was the miller for Daniel Cooper. He was grandfather of D.W.Pottle, and his youngest son, Samuel, moved to Hagerstown,Indiana, in 1824."
   b. The History of the Brethren Church puts another light on the case of Valentine in war days. It says that " The early Brethren fled from the Valley of the Rhine to Holland and then to Philadelphia. In the 30 years of warfare in the Palatinate they had become a war-weary, war-hating people. In 1729 an entire church of 59 families, 129 souls, under Alexander Mack, came to Pennsylvania."-"Two Centuries of the Church of the Brethren".
   c. "Valentine Eiler was a member of the Brethren Church in colonial days.During the war he remained true to his peace principles and for this was persecuted and fled to Canada."-Otho Wenger.

V. CHURCH RECORD OF THE FAMILY:

a. The first Eiler by name to come to America is pretty well known; Conrad Eiler, wife Margaret, and his family.

b. They came as members of the Dunkard (Brethren) Church, with Alexander Mack, in 1729, on the Ship Allen, from Rotterdam, via Cowes, ship master Jas. Craigie. They arrived Sept. 15,1729. They were Palatinates escaping religious coercion.

c. In York (earlier Lancaster County), Brethren or Baptist congregations were located at Little Conewago in 1738; at Big Conewago in 1741; at Codorus in 1758. There were 800 Brethren in America at the opening of the Revolutionary War. "They were a group that attended to their own business, did not take part in movements such as the Revolution, and for this were often misunderstood and persecuted by their neighbors." Thus they were not Tories but just non-combatants. As an Uncle, Benj. William, used to say: "They owned a whole county along some river in the east and were satisfied with existing conditions." But we know that many of the family in America at that time did take active part in the War on the side of the colonists.

d. Two Centuries of the Church of the Brethren says:
"Most of the colonial Brethren were land-loving, landowning people. During the Revolution their faith as to non-resistance was put to a severe test. The utterly groundless charge was made that their reluctance to go to war was due to loyalty to England. This was not true at all. Some were persecuted beyond endurance of highly strung nature and moved deeper into the Frontier."

e. The early Brethren and Lutherans were closely associated. Casper Stoeffer and Peter Muhlenburg baptised many into the Lutheran Church. Jacob Eiler, (Euler in church records), sponsored such a baptism in 1742. IF HE HAD A SON VALENTINE BORN Feb. 14 [illegible], 1745, who later married Susannah Culp, born 1747, we have our own family line set up to 1729. WE NEED TO GET THE NAMES OF THE CHILDREN OF JACOB EYLER, son of CONRAD EYLER, of the land grant of 1738. Mr. Goldshorough, or Lottie Bausman of Lancaster, Penn., of "The Historical Society of York Co., 225 E. Market, St., York, Pa., could get this data.

e. Our own Susannah Culp Eiler is buried at the Hagerstown, Ind., Church of the Brethren, in 1838, aged 91 years; for 75 years a member of the German Baptist Church, says her tombstone.

VI: EUROPEAN BACKGROUND OF THE FAMILY:

-Ernest Drumm, genealogist, in 1938, Zweibrucken, Palatinate.

a. SWISS ORIGIN: name spelled EULER, Pronounced OI, EI, I.
   1. Basel, Switzerland records may reveal primitive data.

b. RHINE RIVER MIGRATION about 1600:
   1. Some member of the family came down the Rhine River and stayed sometimes at the 'House of the Princes'. From there they migrated over the German Empire and many came to America
   2. German spelling of the name is EILER: but there in a river in Germany called the ILLER RIVER.

c. One history of the Brethren Church states that Valentine Eiler was born in Germany and came to this country from there. This would wreck, perhaps, our connection with Conrad Eiler of 1729, and similarity of names, locations; church affiliation, and family records point almost irrevocably to this connection. Valentine's father, Jacob of the 1738 land grant, was born in Germany. (See Penn. Archives, 3rd series, Vol. xxiv, p. 399) BUT THIS REMAINS OUR FIRST OBJECTIVE: Where was Valentine born and who was his father? (B. Feb. 14 (O), [illegible] 1745 (Bible records)

VII: THE CONRAD EILER LINE: Sept. 15, 1729.

Conrad Eyler

Euler in church records; Eyler in legals.

b. Palatinate, about 1681; d. 1751.

Buried near Arendstville, Pa. (Near Gettysburg)

wife; Margaret?

- Jacob: B. Germany about 1718.
- Elizabeth
- Mary
- Catherine
- Barbara

? [illegible]

- Valentine b. Germany 1722 d. 1791
  buried at Arendstville, Pa.
  Wife, Susannah
  - Jacob
  - John
  - Magdalena
  - Frederick
  - Valentine (COULD this be our ancestor? Might if b. Feb. 14, 1745 [illegible]
  - Katrina
  - Mary
  - Christina
  - Susannah

Note: Mead has list of members of Lutheran Church, 1742-1789; Creagerstown, Mead p. 105. Maryland Historical Society is located at Baltimore, Md.

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Note: 1. The wrinkled ship list of Sept. 15, 1729, has been copied many times. The Strassburgers Ship List 10A makes out the name as Conrat Iller. illegible

2. Ship List 10B makes it out as Conrad Oell.. (Last ~~xxxxxxxx~~

3. Rupp's 30,000 Swiss-German Immigrants makes it out to be Conrad Eill..... (Last part of name ~~xxxxx~~ illegible)

4. Right under this last name is that of Alexander Mack, sponsor of the party and of the Brethren (Dunkard) Church.

5. Here is the way a photostatic copy looks. I have seen it;

Conrad Eiler

The German E could be taken as an O by one not familiar with German script. The letter 'd' at the end of Conrad could be taken for ~~xx~~ a 't'. The second 'e' and closing 'r' could be mis-read.

6. Julian Boyd, Librarian, Penn., rules out 1704 date of old family paper, and makes it read definitely 1784.

7. Our Valentine's name is spelled Valentine Eiler in his will at [illegible], where he died Dec. 13, 1813. But in records [illegible] it appears at times as Felty Oyler. Mr. Goldsborough thinks he was born at Monocacy, old German settlement below [illegible] [illegible] at that time in Maryland (his NATIVE state).

APPENDIX NUMBER FIVE

"LINEAGE OF THE ROBERTSON FAMILY"

1. The family setup is in the State Historical Library.

2. They are Scotch, but one slipped over and married a pretty Irish lassie.

3. Here are some quotations:

I. ALEXANDER ROBERTSON, first Robertson by name in history.

a. Son of Robert, Robett's son, d. 1507.

b. Was 5th Baron of Strowan.

II. JOHN ROBERTSON: 1st Laird of Muirton;
his mother was Elizabeth Robertson.

III. All the Kings of Scotland from Duncan to A;exander, except Mc^{B}eth, were Robertsons.

IV. WILLIAM ROBERTSON: went over to Ireland and married a daughter of Sir Tickard Jones. They had children:
William Robertson
John Robertson
Elizabeth Robertson.

V. WILLIAM ROBERTSON: born 1752, Peterhead, Scotland, son of John Robertson, WAS FIRST TO COME TO AMERICA. Rockbridge Co. Virginia. (Staunton)
William married Mary Livingston, daughter of Lord Livingston, whose family tree runs back to the Pictish kings, 455 A.D.

Children of first Robertsons in America:
1. Annie Robertson
2. William Robertson
3. Moses Robertson, b. Apr. 25, 1791
d. Feb. 17, 1869
4. Alexander Robertson.
5. Tommy Robertson, b. 1811

one of first settlers in Liberty Twp. Henry Co. Indiana
Rockbridge Co. Virginia (Staunton)

(Note: Not too sure as to details of last named. Too young for William to be father, if he was born in 1752. I did not take time to get details as I should. Any way, this Robertson history is rather complete to the early part of this century. If ALL the Robertsons are of this tree, it is pretty good origin)

Note: The Maryland Historical Society is located at Baltimore.

A list of the members of the Lutheran Church from 1742-1789 Read p. 108, Hagerstown.

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Appendix Number Four

July 6,1940

1. I have a letter from Ernest Drumm, Zweibrucken, Palatinate, Bavaria, Germany. He says: "The EILER FAMILY all came from Switzerland. The name was originally spelled VON EULER, or just EULER. At Zweibrucken the family sometimes stayed at the house of the princes. From Zweibrucken they scattered over the entire empire of Germany, yes, some even going to foreign lands. The name changed in spelling in various communities, but EILER is the usual German spelling.

2. Drumm states that our Conrad Eiler did not migrate directly from Zweibrucken, but he has a tree already prepared for other members of the family, and offers to send it and also to trace our own Conrad-Valentine branch to its departure on the Ship Allen,1729. His fee, $5.00 in our money. He says the family was of high rank.

3. Dr. J.S.Eilar, Albuquerque, rules out the Conrad-Valentine-Valentine- Samuel line in favor of the Conrad-Jacob-Valentine-Samuel descent. That is, our old ancestor Valentine Eiler of Dayton was son of Jacob and grandson of the original Conrad, and Felty was his uncle. If we find the line of Jacob, and find in it a baptismal certificate of Valentine, born in 1745, the line is established. We can then trace back to Switzerland.

4. The history of Mad River Twp., Dayton, Ohio shows that Valentine Eiler (Spelled in other places Felty Oiler, Felty Oyler) came to Dayton prior to 1796 and there 'raised a family'. He lived on the Woodman farm, and also did carpenter work, helping erect the first court house. He was also a miller for Daniel Cooper, the first builder of much of original Dayton. He was grandfather of D.W. Pottle, and his youngest son, Samuel, moved to Nettle Creek, Hagerstown,Indiana. The will in Dayton Court House shows the name "Valentine Eiler" bequeathing his estate to his beloved wife, Susannah. "Pioneers of Ohio" lists Maryland as origin of Felty Oyler.

5. The old receipt which we take to be 1704 is said by Lancaster,Penn., authorities to be 1784. This would permit the assumption then of our arrival here as in 1729. Both Jacob, our probable ancestor, and his youngest brother Valentine, uncle of our Felty, would have been born in Germany, true to Baptist Church records.

6. "York County,Penn., had four German Baptist congregations; situated on Little Conewago Settlement, Big Conewago Creek, and Codorus, all scenes of early life of Conrad and his sons and daughters.

7. "There were 800 Brethren here in 1775-1783, and their faith concerning non-resistance was put to severe tests. Their peace principles were regarded by enemies as loyalty to England and unfriendliness to the new republic.They were persecuted and many went to Canada or to western states. "

1981 8. Lewis Eilar, son of Daniel, says he has heard his uncles often say we had great uncles in the Revolutionary War for the Colonies. Jef Richardson was a soldier in the Civil War. He says there have been 'Eilars in every war since 1775'. Nora Eilar Locke recalls hearing about an 'Old Uncle Felty' in the East.(Brother of Jacob and son of the original Conrad).

9. Lewis and William Eilar recall of the family tradition that our ancestors 'owned a whole county in the East along some River.' Samuel and Susannah rode horseback from Dayton to Hagerstown, and en route found a dead Indian child. Granny stayed all night alone while granddaddy went back to an Indian Village to report it.He was a great friend of the Indians, family lore has it.

10. Dr. John S.Eilar found in records and archives definite connection between the Conrad Iller of the Ship Allen, Sept. 11,1729, and his wife Elizabeth, with the Conrad Euler of the Rev .Stoever church records, and the Conrad Eyler of the 1738 land grant. The land grant dated Oct. 3,1738 is listed in the name of Conrad and sons Jacob and Valentine. This first Valentine's wife was named Susanna! By coincidence our own Valentine, born in 1745, had a Susanna as wife.
11. The Eilars of Canada say their Jacob came from Plumb Creek,Penn. This is near Arendstville, not far from Gettysburgh. Our family papers show that the Jacob in Canada was a brother of our Samuel. We lean, now, to the belief as stated above that their father was Jacob, son of Conrad, and that Valentine, other son of Conrad perhaps stayed in Pennsylvania, and died in 1792, after the first census, aged 70. He is buried at Arendtsville, near Gettysburgh.

12. "The 1790 census for Pennsylvania gives a Jacob Oyler in York County as head of a family in 1790."

13. The geneology department of the Indiana State Library interprets our family paper as follows:

"Rec'd 16th June, 1704, of Mr. (or W) Conrad Oiller, twenty nine shillings & two pence in full of Acct. I say.
Recd per me
Benjam. Oglie(could be Ogle, or Oyler, but we think not."

But Lancaster , Penn. reports through Julian P.Boyd, Librarian of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, 1300 Locust St., Philadelphia, that 'the date is unquestionably Jun.16,1784.

14. Rupp's 30,000 names of Immigrants (German, Swiss, Palatinate) shows that on Sept. 15,1729 59 Palatines and families (126 in all) arrived from Rotterdam, via Cowes, on the Ship Allen, Jas. Craigie, master. In this list appear the names of Hans Casper Kolb (Culp), Christian Schneider (Snider) and Conrad Eill ? (Last letter not legible.). I have seen the name and it appears as follows:

Conrad Eiler

Below it is the name of Alexander Mack. (Strassburger Lists). Some re-prints of the original lists omit the large capital E and and just give it Iller (deciphering the final letter as e r)

15. Valentine Eilar was born Feb. 14,1745, probably on Penn.Md.line, and at Diggs Choice. Jacob Oyler, probably his father, is listed in 1780-81 archives in York County, on Md. line.
16. The Swiss Euler origin of our family came from Basil, prior to 1600.

1936 Broad Street
Newcastle, Indiana, U.S.A.
Jan. 10, 1938

Sehr Geehrte Herren!

Unsere Familie in dieser Stadt ist von Deutscher abstammung auf welches wir stolz sind.

Wier haben es unsere Aufgabe gemacht eine Familiengeschihte zu schweiben, und wier möchten gerne erfahren, ob in Ihrem Standesamt register, oder alten Stadtgeschihte, ist ein record von dem Jahre 1729. In diesem Jahre ein KONRAD EILER (Iller) oder EULER wanderte aus nach Amerika an dem Schiffe ALLEN, mit ihm war Alexander Mack, ein Pastor auf die Dunker Brüder so wie verschiedene andere Mitglieder Der EILER FAMILIE.

Ferner in dem Jahre 1745-1775 ein Valentin EILER wanderte aus wir möchten ausfinden ist da still ein Zweig von dieser Familie in Ihrem Bezirk.

Solte dies der fall sein wurden Lie so freundlich und uns nachricht zu komen lassen for alle Unkosten würden wir sehr gerne aufkomen und Ihnen sehr dankbar sein.

Achtungsvoll,

J. H. EILER

J. H. EILER
1936 Broad Street
Newcastle, Indiana, U.S.A.

Ernst Drumm,
Stadtkonservator.

Zweibrücken, den 9. Juli 1938.
Eitersbergstrasse 29.
(Deutschland).

Sehr geehrter Herr Euler,

Erst heute wurde mir Ihr Schreiben vom 10. Januar 1938, das beim Herrn Oberbürgermeister am 3. Juni 1938 einlief, zur Bearbeitung übergeben.

Zunächst freue ich mich darüber, dass Sie trotzdem Sie mit der deutschen Sprache zu kämpfen haben, auf Ihre deutsche Abstammung stolz sind und anscheinend das nachholen wollen, was Generationen vor Ihnen versäumt haben. Auf die Familie Euler im besonderen können Sie ebenfalls stolz sein; denn sie stellte fast immer recht brauchbare Menschen.

Daher kommt es auch, dass Sie nicht der Einzige sind, der einen Stammbaum Euler bearbeiten will oder bearbeitet. Daran arbeiteten schon früher Persönlichkeiten und auch die Gegenwart kennt solche Forscher aus der Familie Euler. Für einen dieser Herren forschte ich selbst schon. Ich bin bereit Ihnen zu diesem Stammbaum, den ich selbst noch nicht besitze, zu verhelfen oder Ihnen, wenn Ihnen das angenehmer ist, die Adresse dieses Herrn Euler zu vermitteln.

Die Eulerfamilie kommt aus der Schweiz und nahm in Zweibrücken Stadt und Fürstentum mehrmals Aufenthalt. Darüber hinaus verbreitete sie sich über ein grosses Gebiet des Deutschen Reiches, ja sogar nach dem Auslande hin. Der von Ihnen gesuchte Konrad Euler stammt nicht aus Zweibrücken. Der alte Stammbaum wird hoffentlich seine Abstammung klären.

Zur Deckung meiner Unkosten bitte ich Sie, wenn ich die Sache durchführen soll, mir einen Betrag von etwa 5 Dollar zu übersenden; ich werde Ihnen dann auch eine kleine Schrift von mir übersenden, worinnen der Nachweis geführt ist, dass die siegende Truppe von York Town 1783 aus deutschen Menschen bestand.

Ich begrüsse Sie recht herzlichst

Ernst Drumm.

(Translation of Drum letter by Howard A.Eilar,
and verified in general by German at Hagerstown)

Zweibrucken, den 9,Julii,1938
Eitersbergstrasse 29
Germany

My very dear Mr. Eiler,

I did not receive your letter of Jan. 10,1938, until today, that was left by the mayor to be given consideration June 3rd, 1938.

I am overjoyed about it, because you have nevertheless fought out the German language, and are proud of your German origin. You may especially be proud of the family name, for they have always held high rank among the people.

It seems that you have sent for a history of your family. It also happens that others have also wanted the EILER FAMILY TREE. Therefore work has already been done by interested persons and I myself know of much research being done on the EILER FAMILY. For one, I myself am doing research and am prepared on this family tree. I hope we can be of help to each other for I need more material and it is a pleasure to communicate with the address of this Mr. Eiler.

The EILER FAMILY came originally from Switzerland and settled at the city of Zweibrucken and stayed sometimes at Furstentum (the home of the prince). You yourself know that they then went out over the great domain of the German Empire, yes, even to foreign countries. The Conrad Eiler you are looking up did not come directly from Zweibrucken. But we hope that an old family tree will clear up your ancestry.

To cover my expenses, I request of you if I shall pursue the matter to send me something like five dollars to conduct it, and in return I will also send you a small book which contains latest reports and findings, and also shows that the victory of troops at Yorktown was made possible by German people.

I wish you much luck.

Ernest Dromm

EILER

One of the early deacons of the Nettle Creek church was Samuel Eiler. He was born in the Quebec Province of Canada. His father was one of the members of the Brethren church in Colonial America. He had emigrated from Germany. During the Revolutionary War he was true to his peace principles. Because of this he was persecuted and fled to Quebec. Here Samuel was born in 1791. The family moved near Dayton, Ohio. Samuel was married to Susannah Snyder in 1811. They settled near Hagerstown, Indiana, and entered the land on which was later built the Nettle Creek meetinghouse. Samuel Eiler was a familiar person at Nettle Creek. He was deacon here for over fifty years. His residence was near by. It was a regular stopping place for many brethren while visiting the Nettle Creek church or while passing through. His was the chief private lodging place for many of the brethren at the Conference of 1864. He died June 12, 1875, in his 85th year.

His son, Samuel, served in the ministry for awhile at Beaverdam and Nettle Creek, but later was relieved. His grandson, Calvin F. Eiler, now resides at West Manchester. He was called to the ministry in the Prairie Creek church in 1886. Since then he has lived in the Mississinewa, Walnut Level, Pleasant Dale and West Manchester congregations. He was ordained to the eldership in 1910. His son, William, is a minister at Froid, Montana.

Copied from: Winger, Otho History
of the Church of the
Brethren in Indiana.
Elgin, Ill., Brethren
pub. house, 1917. p.333.

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November24,1937.

Mr.J.H.Eilar,
1936 Broad St.,
New Castle, Indiana.

Dear Mr.Eilar:

The photostatic copy of old family papers which you sent last month has been found and will be returned to you when the Library is opened again Friday. My inability to find it earlier was due to the fact that it had been misplaced in the Genealogy Room where an assistant was working on the records you sent. It had been caught in a clip with other papers.

I sincerely regret having caused you anxiety and apologize for my unwillingness to write you at once that it had been misplaced. I was expecting from day to day that it would be found and did not realize how much time had passed.

As I told you when you were here, I think the date in question might well be 1784 though, superficially, it looks very much like 1704. The assistant in the Genealogy Room maintains that it is 1704 and that W.Conrad Oiller, in whose favor the receipt was drawn, died long before 1784. She would like to do some more work on the whole matter and will send a report with the papers and the photostat. The building is being closed now or I would return the papers today.

Very truly yours,

Christopher B. Coleman
Christopher B.Coleman
Director

SEE R.B. STRASSBURGER'S GERMAN PIONEERS
3 vols. 1934
CBC-G gives original lists of arrivals in the port of Philadelphia 1727-1808.

SEE ALSO PENN ARCHIVES in Indiana Historical Library

Office of the Librarian
The Historical Society of Pennsylvania
1300 Locust Street
Philadelphia

October 5, 1937.

Mr. J. H. Eiler,
1936 Broad Street,
Newcastle, Indiana.

Dear Mr. Eiler:

The photostat you have sent to me of the receipt of W. Conrad Oiller is unquestionably dated June 16, 1784, rather than 1704. I think the correction of this date may help to clear up your problem. I am returning this receipt to you enclosed with this letter.

Cordially yours,

Julian P. Boyd

Julian P. Boyd.

THE EILER LINEAGE

CONRAD EULER
(Euler in church records; Eyler in legal recor
d. 1751
Arendtsville
Penna.
wife
Margaret

- Elizabeth
- Mary
- Catherine
- Barbara
- Jacob
- Valentine (Oiler)
  Eyler in legal record; Euler in church records; Oiler in will at York; marks used.
  (Valentine married a Susanna?)
  1722-1791
  buried at Arendtsville, Penn.

Note: It seems highly probable that we came down the Conrad-JACOB- Valentine- Samuel line. The sons had a tendency to name their children after uncles, thus accounting for identity of names. If Jacob, who sponsored the first Lutheran baptism by Casper Stoevver in 1743 had a son Valentine born Feb. 14,1745, that would establish the lineage

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- Jacob
- John
- Magdalena
- Frederick
- Valentine *
  (Eiler-
  Euler
  Eyler
  Oiler
  married
  Susannah Culp
  1745-1813
- Latrina
- Mary
- Christine
- Susanna

- Jacob
  married
  Elizabeth
  Snider
- Samuel Eiler
  Euler
  Oiler
  1791-1875
  married
  Susannah Snider

Note: If Jacob, son of Conrad I had among his children three sons- Jacob,Valentine, b. 1745, and Conrad.Jr., that would identify the Conrad Oiller of the 1784 scrap of paper as uncle of our Samuel.This may prove the case.

* Not all his children listed.

We know he had a daughter who married a Pottle,Dayton.

Dr. Eilar and I are eager to tie up the two Valentines, if possible, or to get at the facts. Valentine Eiler, born 1745, died 1813, married to Susannah Culp, and members of the German Baptist Church, are known facts beyond doubt. Evidence leads to the other Valentine and Conrad, thus establishing the line. The Wayne County Historical Society, and the early Dunkard and Lutheran Records may have something as yet undiscovered.

The Dunkards came to America 1718-1729.
The Lutherans came in 1708.

J.H. EILAR

IN REPLY REFER TO
FILE No. 310
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THE FOREIGN SERVICE
OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL
Keizersgracht 473,
Amsterdam, Netherlands.

January 25 , 1938.

Mr. J. H. Eiler,
1936 Broad Street,
Newcastle, Indiana.

Sir:

The Consulate General acknowledges receipt of your letter of January 4, 1938, inquiring as to whether there is any record here of certain indicated German immigrants who, according to information at your disposal, sailed from Amsterdam to America between 1682 and 1775.

In reply I desire to inform you that the Consulate General has ascertained from the Archivist of Amsterdam that records of passenger lists of vessels departing Amsterdam were not even kept in the 19th century. However, it is suggested, if you can obtain from the records of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania or from the publication of D. Rupp entitled "Thirty Thousand Names of Immigrants" an indication of the district or districts whence each group of passengers came to Amsterdam to ship for America, that you request the respective American consulates situated thereat to institute appropriate inquiries for you.

Very respectfully yours,

K.S. Patton

K. S. Patton
American Consul General

Office of the Librarian
The Historical Society of Pennsylvania
1300 Locust Street
Philadelphia

October 11, 1937

Mr. J. H. Eilar
1936 Broad Street
Newcastle, Indiana

Dear Mr. Eilar:

In response to your letter of October 7, I beg to advise that after a careful examination of the photostat for the second time, I am still of the positive opinion that the receipt is dated June 16,1784. The chirography is distinctly that of the late eighteenth century and not of the early years of that century. The most conclusive evidence, however, is that the figure in the date is 8 and not an 0. The figure 8 during this period was made somewhat as follows: 8 or 8
The dimness of the ink probably led you to believe that the zero was formed very much like an unclosed 0.

However, if you are still unsatisfied with this opinion, I suggest that you send it to Mr. Christopher B. Coleman, Secretary of the State Historical Library at Indianapolis. The interesting fact you give about the lineal descent of the Euler Family, also would lead one to believe that this receipt belonged to the first Conrad. However, the fact that the receipt is dated in 1784 precludes the possibility of its being his. While I, of course, admit the possibility of error, I am absolutely content that the date is as given above.

Sincerely yours,

Julian P. Boyd

Julian P. Boyd
Librarian.

JPB:LM

PHOTOSTAT COPY: (FROM GENEALOGY DIVISION: INDIANA STATE LIBRARY)

Several people at the library have examined the photostat copy of the receipt signed by Benjamin Oyler and all seem to agree that the date is 1704, although Dr. Coleman thought there might be some reason for thinking it to be 1784. According to your record, Conrad Euler or Oiller, died in 1751, and if this is the same Conrad Oiller, he could not have signed a receipt in 1784, but must have been quite young in 1704.

The following is our interpretation of the receipt with questionable portions underscored:

> Rec'd 16th June, 1704 ofMr.(or W?) Conrad Oiller, twenty
> nine shillings & Two pence in full of Acct. I say.
> Rec'd pr. me
> Benjam. Oglie(Could be Ogle, or
> possibly Oyler, but we
> think not)

R.B.Strassburger's German Pioneers (3 vols.) published in 1934 and giving Original Lists of Arrivals in the port of Philadelphia from 1727 to 1808 gives the following names:

EULER(EYLER)

Adam
Ann Catherine
Conrad
Georg.Philip
Jacob
Johon Georg
Phillip
William

The refernce under Conrad Euler gives him as a passenger on the ship or brig URANIA, Captain Wm.Geersen from Bremen, at the port of Philadelphia, August 26th, 1802.

We did not use the Pennsylvania Archives extensively because you said you had used Pennsylvania material but we will be glad to do anything we can if you say so, nor did we go extensively into Pennsylvania county records.

The Third Series of the Pennsylvania Archives which gives tax-payers and land owners gives Conrad Oiler as assessed for 8 acres, July 30, 1830 in Washington county,Pa. 1784-1892. Other names in this index are Lawrence Oiler, Adam, Frederick, Jacob,Peter,Stoffel, ~~&~~ & Stouffer Eiler. We did not run down the counties in the case of these.

The 1790 census for Pennsylvania gives a Jacob Oyler in ~~Fayette~~ York county as head of a family in 1790, Joseph in Bedford vounty, a John in York county and an Adolph in Fayette county, all in 1790.

BRIEF HISTORY CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN (DUNKARDS)

Frömm "Two Centuries of the Church of the Brethren"

Germany became a center of religious agitation after the days of the Lutheran Reformation. The Catholic Church had held unchecked control for a thousand years. Then in the 11th century the scholastic, Peter Abelard, made a sturdy defense of human reason vs. church dogma. From this sprang the reformation.

Disenthralled Germany found herself the victim then of all sorts of religious factions, each intolerant of the other. Persecutions arose. The Thirty Years' War (1618-1648) involving all Europe was a result. The Catholic, Reformed, and Lutheran Churches united into a new persecuting force against all who didn't conform. The wars of Frederick (1620-1688) and the French wars made the valley of the Rhine a continuous field of carnage, until the peace loving people became a WAR-WEARY, WAR-HATING PEOPLE.

The Mennonites, Pietists, Mystics, and others were persecuted by the three state church bodies. The galley chain, thumb screw, and exiled religious zealots could not be stopped. Wm.Penn preached his way up the Rhine (1672-1688), offering a refuge in his American colony,Pennsylvania, for all oppressed , promising them peace and religious liberty.

From the Pietistic movement, in 1708, originated the Church of the Brethren. Alexander Mack and Christoph Hochmann assembled a small group of seekers after truth at Schwartzenau, on the banks of the Eder River, in the Rhive Valley, and started the Church of the Brethren. The names of the first members were Mack and wife, Grebi,Vetter, Bony,Kipping and wife,Joanna Noettinger. By 1715 a church had sprung up at Marienborn, Crefield, Epstein, all in the Rhine Valley region.

In 1719 Peter Becker and 20 others sailed from Holland to Philadelphia, and Germantown. In 1729 occurred the migration of the entire Church in a body, 59 families, 126 souls, to Philadelphia under the leadership of Alexander Mack. In the next few years every member of the Brethren Church in the Fatherland had come to America. The Church had spread also into Switzerland and Holland.

In 1682 Germantown was established by conveyance of land from Wm.Penn to six German settlers from Crefield. They were: Telner, Streypers,Sipman, Remke, Arets, Van Bebber. From Crefield in 1683 came 13 men and their families, 33 in all. I do not have the names of these men. They landed in Philadelphia Oct.6, 1683. This was the initial step in the movement of peace-loving peoples from the Rhineland, from Switzerland, Palatinate, down to Holland. Some cities today in that region have the names: BADENWEILER--AHREILER,-OTTWEILER. (Note ending EILER). Note also that CREFIELD was the original distributing center for the various stages of migration, the emigrants going to Holland and then shipping for Philadelphia.

The Mother Church of the Brethren was organized Dec.25, 1723, in Germantown, six miles northwest of the heart of the city today of Philadelphia. The first members were: John Gommere and wife, Martin Urner and wife, Henry Landis and wife, Frederick Lang and Jane Mayle, Peter Becker, Johann Traut,Jeremias Traut, Balser Traut, Holzapple, Johannes Gumre,Stephen and Jacob Koch,Ritter, Hildebrand, Gansz,Preisoz, Johannes Kamfer, and wives. (23 members)

Of the 20 families that came in 1719, some had moved into the wilderness westward and some went to Maryland, New Jersey, and the valley of the Shenandoah. Most remained near Germantown. So in 1724 Peter Becker organized a group of visiting brethren to ride horseback into Lancaster County and elsewhere to visit the brethren. Muhlenburg, the Lutheran, came to Pennsylvania in this period to encourage the Lutherans in this same regiomn. There was some shifting of membership across church lines at this time.

Lancaster County, York County, Adams County, and Dauphin County organized churches in primitive pioneer settlements, among them being: Little Conewago Creek in 1738; Big Conewago Creek, 1741; Codorus Creek in 1758; Upper Conewago Creek, near Arendtsville, 1756. (Note these settlements as being the settlements in which we have found Conrad Euler and Valentine Oiler). The German Americans ganged up in settlements, regardless of church affiliations. The Fatherland ties were nearer than religious ties with many immigrants.

Sunday schools were started in many of these settlements by the year 1738; and in 1738 a printing press was set up in Germantown to supply the German Americans with literature. A Germantown Academy was established in 1760.Christopher Sower was active in educational work in this period. After 1740 the Brethren were brought into closer contact with other denominations in Pennsylvania.

Prior to 1770 the Brethren were all found in four settlements in America: the four Colonies in Pennsylvania as noted;New Jersey; Maryland; Virginia. In 1770 the total number of Brethren in America was slightly less than 800. Most of the early Brethren were land owning and landloving men and women. During the Revolution their faith as to non-resistance was put to a severe test. The utterly groundless charge was made that their reluctance to go to war was loyalty to England, which was not true at all. Some were persecuted beyond endurance of highly strung nature, and moved deeper into the frontier. It seems that Muhlenburg,Ky., is a case that shows that the Lutherans and Brethren cooperated very closely; many moving to that frontier settlement together.Others went to Quebec Province, later to return to various Ohio settlements of German Americans. One settlement was in the Miami River region, now Dayton. The first Church of the Brethren in Indiana was in Union County, 1809, some 14 members having Benj.Bowman and Jacob Miller as preachers.

Nettle Crekk settlement in about 1818 was made and by 1845 the first meetinghouse in the state was erected- a great brick structure one mile west of Hagerstown. Here in 1864 the Annual Meeting was held. Samuel Eiler was a deacon in this church for fifty years.

July 22,1940

Notes on Indiana Historicla Library findings (Or rather re-checks)

I. The HISTORY OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, (Dayton and vicinity)

a. In 1798 tax list appears name of Daniel C. Cooper as taxpayer, and he pays tax for his miller, Vallentine Oyler.

b. Pioneers came to the fertile region where Mad River enters Miami, bringing only a rifle and hatchet, there to make a start. The first settlements appeared in winter of 1795-96, and it seems our Valentine Eiler came down from Gros Isle that winter.

c. Daniel C.Cooper along with a few others from Cincinnati, Hamilton County, had taken out large grants of this new land from Indians. They selected choice tracts.

d. The country was dotted with pioneer cabins. (Intimate descriptions are given of life of these people, among whom were Valentine and Susannah Culp Eiler) Makes interesting reading.

e. Pioneer settlements were at Hole's Station, Hamar Tract, etc., but the settlers kept close to main settlement at union of Mad River and Miami (Dayton). This was for protection against the roving bands of unfriendly Indians.

f."These pioneers were all experienced woodsmen."

g. In 1799 Daniel C.Cooper added to his mills a distillery on ~~Miami River~~ Rubicon Creek, about two miles south of center of present Dayton.

h. The mill that Valentihe Eiler operated was a combination saw mill, corn cracker, grist mill. This mill had most of the trade for all the settlements up the various streams that converged at Dayton. The mill dams were made of brush, and ~~Dan~~ Valentine made his own buhrs out of limestone. The first mills employed horse power. The horse was driven round and round. I have heard Bill and Dad tell of this experience in family lore.

i. D.C.Cooper was also a Justice of the Peace. I suspect grandfather Eilar (Our Daniel) was named after this Cooper.

j. Family lore tells that Valentine helped build the first court house in Dayton.

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k. "Valentine Oyler came from Canada to Ohio in 1796, was a Tory and had to leave his native state of Maryland during the Revolutionary War and flee to British Dominions."-Quotation we already have, but Dunkard records modify this version, saying he remained true to the peace principles of his church and because of this was persecuted, along with hundreds of others of same attitude. --" He settled on Section 21, on what is known as the Woodman Farm, and there raised a family". This was Samuel and Mary Miller Woodman, who had come from Frederick County,Md. Our Samuel may have been named for this Samuel, although he was born prior to this settlement and acquaintance would have dated back to East. NOTE:He was grandfather of D.W.Pottle, must have had other children, perhaps only girls, 'Youngest son Samuel moved to Hagerstown,Indiana, in 1824". Peter Lemon papers preparatory to writing history of Mad River Twp.

1. Frederick County, Md., was just across state line from York County (part of which is Adams County) Penn. Digg's Choice was a settlement on the line, part of the time claimed by Md. heirs and part of time by Penn heirs. -I traced all available records of Md. both state papers and church records, and failed to find hardly any mention of Eiler under various spellings.--But as soon as I got into history of York County (Adams County) the records ~~are full of~~ make frequent mention of Conrad Eyler, Jacob Eyler, Valentine Eyler, and many others. The history shows that many Germans gradually spread out southward from Penn into Maryland (Frederick Co of which Frederick is county seat).--There is every reason to assume that our Valentine came from Digge's Choice settlement and at the time (about 1780) actually thought their farm was in Martland across Penn line.

2. The first census, 1790, lists Jacob Oyler in York County. He has five children listed, not by name. 1 male over 16; 1 male under 16; and three daughters. This sounds like a brother or cousin of our Valentine, as he would have been born about 1745, the date of Valentine's birth. (Feb. 8, 1745).

3. A Benj. Ogle, Jr. grandson of Ann Tasker, is recorded as beneficiary in will in sum of 1,000 £ in records of wills, 11 May 1770- 9 Dec. 1775. This is perhaps the Benj Ogle who receipted Conrad Oiller in our old family paper. (Unsolved riddle: Who was this Conrad Oiller? My present guess; a brother of our Valentine and Jacob, and another son of Jacob, son of the Conrad Eiller who came on Ship Allen in 1729. Check; get names of children of this first Jacob and find a Valentine son born Feb. 8, 1745, and also find other children, namely a Jacob who later went to Canada from Plum Creek, Penn, and a Conrad who must have been with his brother Valentine at time of receipt signature)
 -McGruders Md Col Abstracts, 1774-77.

4. Sidelights; Strassburgers "Penn German Pioneers" Vol. II, p. 29 etc

   a. Passenger list 10B shows Ship Allen over Sept. 15,1729, bringing Alexander Mack, Hans Kasper Kolb (Culp), Christian Schneider, etc and CUNRAD OELL (en?)
   b. Passenger List 10A, (Same ship and passenger list of Palatines) Alexander Mack, and other names exactly as above, and Conrat Iller (Lists Margaret Iller, Elisabeth Iller0 etc)
   c. Rupp's 30,000 German Immigrants shows same ship and passenger list Alexander Mack etc and CONRAD EILL ? (Last letters ineliglbe (As I have found from German exts, the capital E looks like an English O, deformed or poorly written) I have seen the original signature as it appears on ship list and can understand confusion.
   d. HISTORY OF ADAMS COUNTY raises confusion when it says at Digges Choice Valentine Eyler took out land grant in about 1734. Valentine of the Conrad line was born in 1722, too young in 1734. We think that Conrad and Valentine, minor jointly, took patent from Penn in 1738 for 200 acres and Jacob, then perhaps 21, also took out 200 acers. Records show this- 6822 acers land were taken out at time in intersection of three counties York-present Dams (Gettysburgh) and Frederick Co, Md. at Digges choice settlement. Little Conewago close to Hanover.

P-62 At the request of Valentine Eiler the following deed was recorded December 23-1771 to wit: This Indenture made this fourteenth day of December Seventeen hundred & seventy one Between William Goodman of Frederick County & province of Maryland Cooper of the one part and Valentine Eiler of the same place of the other part Witnesseth that the said Wm Goodman for and in Consideration of the sum of Twelve pounds Ten Shillings Common money to him in hand paid by the said Valentine Eiler - - - - sold - - - - unto the said Valentine Eiler his heirs and assigns forever all that tract or parcell of Land called muddy Spring being part of a tract called the resurvey on Coopers Ally beginning at the beginning trees of said resurvey & running thence South forty six perches thence South twenty three degrees & a half degree West eighty two perches - - - - to the beginning Trees containing Twenty five Acres of Land more or less - - - - - .

Penelope wife of William Goodman relinquished her right of dower in said land.

W.R. 2-225 At the request of Conrad Eiler the following deed was recorded September 18th. Anno 1779 to wit: This Indenture made this Eighteenth day of september one thousand seven hundred and seventy Nine Between Valentine Eiler of Frederick County and state of Maryland of the one part and Conrad Eiler of the County and state aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth that the said Valentine Eiler for and in Consideration of the sum of five hundred pounds Common current money to him in hand paid by the said Conrad Eiler - - - - sold - - - - unto the said Conrad Eiler two tracts or parcells of Land one called new Georgia the other parcell of Land Called Muddy Spring being part of a Tract of Land called the Resurvey on Coopers Alley both lying and being in Frederick County and State of Maryland The tract of Land called New Georgia beginning at a stone marked NG standing in the place where a Bounded White Oak stood standing on the East side of a Branch Called Long Branch a Draught of Isreals Creek

the said White Oak Tree being the Original Beginning of the said tract of Land called New Georgia and runing thence Viz. North forty degrees west Twenty six perches North sixty perches - - - - to the Beginning Containing Twenty five acres of Land More or Less the other Tract or parcell of Land called Muddy Spring being part of a Tract of Land called the Resurvey on Coopers Alley Beginning at the Begining Trees of said Resurvey and running thence Viz, south forty six perches sout twenty three Degrees and a half degree West Eighty two perches - - - to the Beginning Trees Containing twenty five acres of Land more or less Together with all and singular the appurtenances thereunto the two Tracts of Land belonging - - - - - - - - - - - .

Susannah wife of Valentine Eiler relinquised all her right of dower in said land.

(Not Our Valentine)

W.R. 5-302 At the request of Adam Creager the following deed was recorded 22nd. October 1784 to wit: This Indenture made this twenty third day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty four Between Valentine Oiler of Frederick County and State of Maryland Sadler of the one part and Adam Creigher of the same County and State aforesaid Farmer of the other part Witnesseth that the said Valentine Oiler for and in Consideration of the Sum of thirty pounds Current Gold and Silver Money - - - - sold - - - - unto him the said Adam Creigher his heirs and assigns forever. All his the said Valentine Oiler's Right Title Interest and Property of in and to all the following Parcels of Land, being part of a Tract of Land called Dukes Wood, the said part lying and being in the Town of Liberty in Frederick County aforesaid Beginning for the said Parcel of Land at a stone marked AO standing on the South side of the Main Street in the Town of Liberty and running thence with the main Street South eighty six degrees West fifty four feet -------- to the Beginning Together with all and singular the Improvements and all the premises and appurtenance to the said Parcel of Land belonging - - - - - - - - .

Magdalene wife of Valentine Oiler relinquished all her right of dower in said land.

Office of the Librarian
The Historical Society of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia

October 19, 1931

Mr. J. H. Eiler,
County Superintendent of Schools,
Newcastle, Ind.

My dear Sir:

I have your letter of the tenth instant. The 17th volume of the Second Series of the Pennsylvania Archives contains the following references to your name:

Johan Georg Eyler - under List of Foreigners Imported in the Belander, Townshead, Thomas Thompson, Master, from Amsterdam, Qualified October 5, 1737.

Adam Eyler, aged 33 - in List of Foreigners Imported in the Ship Friendship, Alex. Thomas, Master, from Rotterdam. Qualified Oct. 12, 1741.

Joh. Jacob Eyler - in List of Foreigners Imported in the Ship Edinburgh, James Reissel, Master, from Rotterdam, last from Portsmouth. Qualified Sept. 5, 1748.

Adolph Eiler - in list of Foreigners Imported in the Snow Charlotte, John Mason, Master, from Rotterdam. Qualified Sept. 5, 1743.

I much regret that we do not have leisure for extended genealogical investigation, but it is always a pleasure to furnish the names of genealogical workers.

Very sincerely yours,

Ernest Spofford
Librarian.

Room 2. Pythian Castle Bld.,
Frederick, Maryland.
August 21, 1941

Mr. J. H. Eilar,
New Castle, Indiana.

Dear Mr. Eilar:

Just a line to let you know that I sent you some data on the family, and forgot to send you a note with or a letter later; I just found that I had neglect to do so. This is only a part of what you will get, I have plenty more to type and as soon as it is finished will send it in.

I think I told you that there are a number of late wills here? I found one to day of a William P. Eyler probated in 1864 that interested me. It states that the testator lived in what he calls "the old Eyler homestead", and that it is on "the Great Road from Emmitsburg to Hagerstown". I'll copy it along with others and send it in; it may not help you directly but is interesting. There are still plenty of Eylers in this county, and in the vicinity of Emmitsburg and through Eylers Valley there are plenty of Eyler lands. Excuse briefness of this and let me hear from you.

Very cordially,

E. Ralston Goldsborough C.E.

E. Ralston Goldsborough, C.E.

DR. J. S. EILAR
DENTAL SURGEON
512 FIRST NAT'L BANK BLDG.
ALBUQUERQUE, N. M.

July 6 1935

Dear Jesse:

Just a few lines to let you know that I am still working on this darned family of Eilars. Russell and his family were over to my house last Sunday for dinner and we had a nice visit. Everyone is O.K.

Well my family is comeing along nicely, and I have a lot of data on nearly every branch. The thing that has caused me the most worry so far is the island on which Sammy was born. In the family Bible as you say it is Grozeal island. Try and find it. Who ever wrote that in the Bible, wrote it as it sounded, from the Dutchman that told it. I worried around with this for a month, looking in all the histories and references in the library and at the University, and then after some letters to Canada I found the answer. It is Gross Ile, pronounced gros el, the e being long. So you see how it was written Grozeal. I have had books from the library at Detroit and one of the early settlers on the island was Jacob Eiler, but no mention of Valentine. However I may find him in some history I am getting of Ontario.

I now have almost a complete history and date chart of the Iler family in Canada, and there is no doubt but that they are a branch of our family. One old boy up there seem to know a lot about the family and he says there were three brothers, Jacob, Samuel, and the other he can not remember, but is trying to find the name. They come from Jacob who left the island and went to the mainland in 1808. They tell the same story that has been handed down to us. " Someone ran away from the revolutionary war and went to Canada, the original name was Oiler(probably Euler), and was changed to Iler." They tell me the name was changed by a school teacher named Thornborough who taught the first school in that community. I now think you are right about the original name. I back up. If you have any other old letters from these people let me have a copy as I may be able to clear up some other things. This fellow tells me he remembers the old people talking of Sammy and that he was up there on a visit one time.

I sure am puting a lot of work on this thing, but getting a big kick out of it. Draw a triangle from Newcastle to Plymouth to Hicksville Ohio and you will have enclosed all of the relation of our branch of the family, with the exception of three or four families. Tell me where does the Ben and Nan Heaston come in. I have tried to locate one of there decendents but no success so far. Saw your picture the other day and you don't look like what I expected. I thot all school teachers and county superintendents were skinny and dryed up. My mistake. How about those few dates I asked for? Do you know of any of the family except Bill with a war record? Looks like we are anything but a war like people. Let me hear from you.

Sincerely

J. S. Eilar

D.W. Pottle. Valentine Oyler a grandfather of D.W. Pottle of Dayton.

NEW CASTLE JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL
NEW CASTLE, INDIANA
J. H. EILAR, PRINCIPAL

Late Bulletin re Geneology; NO REPLY NECESSARY: JUST FILE.

1. In recorder's office, Wayne County, Richmond, Indiana; settlement of estate June 4, 1875;
   SAMUEL EILAR estate; bond given at $4,000.00 (Note spelling)
2. Memoirs Wayne County; Vol. I, p.477: "SAMUEL EILER, Sr., deacon Nettle Creek German Baptist Church; Samuel Eiler, Jr., minister. Many settlers came from Maryland, Pennsylvania, New Jersey to this county."
3. Young's HISTORY OF WAYNE COUNTY: 1872;
   " SAMUEL EILER settled 1½ mi. west of Hagerstown in 1823; was born in Canada West; married Susanna Snyder; went to housekeeping in Montgomery County, Ohio, (near Dayton) in 1811; then in Hagerstown, Wayne County, Indiana , in 1823; was a member of the German Baptist Church and is about 81 years old."- (in 1872).

   NOTE: History Mad River Twp. Montgomery County, Ohio, says:" Valentine Oyler came from Canada to Mad River Twp. about 1796; was a native of Maryland but had to flee in the Revolutionary War (About 1780) because he was a royalist; went to the British Dominions in Canada and then in 1796 to Dayton; was miller for Daniel Cooper; settled on Woodman Farm and RAISED A FAMILY: his youngest son Samuel died near Hagerstown, Indiana, in 1875!"
4. Here seems to be a heretofore missing bit of evidence in your line; the Felty Oyler who disappeared from the Pennsylvania tax rolls about 1780 was surely the Felty Oyler of above record, and our ancestor, of the CONRAD-JACOB- VALENTINE-SAMUEL-JACOB-JOHN-SILBERT lineage. If the Jacob Euler (Eyler, Oyler) line be finally traced and a VALENTINE EYLER (EULER) be found born in 1745, then the atmosphere clears up; and I will have my German geneologist give us the lineage back to Switzerland via Zweiburcken, and back to Feudalism. THE END OF THE ACADEMIC TRAIL.
5. Phillip's Dictionary of Biographical Ref; 1889;
   a. CARL EULER, 1740-1800, Swiss Mathematician.
   b. CHRISTIPHER EULER, 1743-1805, GERMAN MATHEMATICIAN.
   c. JOHN EULER, 1734-1800, SWISS PHILOSOPHER & MATHEMATICIAN.
   d. LEONARD EULER, Swiss trig expert formula maker.
   e. FREDEICK EILERS, born Laufenselden, Nassau, Germany, 1869; noted metallurgist in Colorado.
6. German geneologist DRUMM says stem name all EILERS was EULER, Swiss origin in medieval days, pronounced ILER. His data will probably connect with CONRAD EILLER who came in 1729.
7. AT THIRD REUNION: Mentioned that WILL ILER was a M.P. at Toronto.
   A.L. ARNER, ARNER, ONT. wrote regrets at inability to attend.
   Oldest EILER living is JOHN EILAR on west coast, aged 85.

JESS.

From Dayton visit Aug. 29-38

Daniel C.Cooper came to what is now Dayton in 1795; was surveyor and miller and prominent citizen.

The first graveyard in Dayton was located at the northeast corner of Main and Third Streets, near present courthouse. Later it was moved to the site of Woodland Cemetery, south side of 5th street between Ludlow and Wilkinson Streets.

A Frank Eiler (Eyler) in Dayton was born in Frederick County,Md. son of Daniel and Sophia Eyler.

In the courthouse at Dayton I found the will in the name of VALENTINE EILER in favor of his beloved wife Susanna Culp Eiler. But in other records the name is spelled Eyler.

Addresses from directory:

Lee Eiler
2419 Salem Ave
Dayton

Treas Fidelity
Med. Supply Co.

Herbert Oyler
117 McDaniel Street
Dayton

Mrs. Nicholas Eylar
(Susanna Creager)

Ralph Oiler
168 Lexington Ave.
Dayton

Valentine Oyer

Lancaster-Pa.
Box 255

Aug. 28, 1936.

Mr J. H. Eilar.
New Castle - Ind.

My dear Mr Eilar:-

Relative to your recent communication - there is no "glaring error" - except one thing I would like to correct - and then say that you might put a number of points of the early period in a way more comprehensive:-(or perhaps you have done so).

The one thing ~~which~~ needs correction is your statement that Conrad and Valentine Eiler took up a tract of 200 acres. Oh!- I see this first part needs correction, also. Conrad-(in printed record spelled Eyler)-(see Penn'a. Archives 3rd. Series-Vol. XXIV-page 399 - Warrantees of Land in Lancaster County) - and his son Jacob Eyler - Oct. 3, 1738 - took out a warrant for 200 acres - each - from the Penns. - In Deed Book F - page 508 - in Recorder of Deeds Office, - York, Pa. - it shows that Jacob Eyler sold to Valentine Eyler - "all that tract of land originally granted to Conrad Eyler. By Warrant - Oct. 3, 1738 - situated on a branch of Codorus Creek, on the West side of Susquehannah River then part of Lancaster County, now in the

Township of Manheim, York County, — being the same tract whereon the aforesaid Valentine now dwells —" etc.
Dated - December 1, 1763.

Note particularly that this land lay on a branch of Codorus Creek — and not Conewago Creek. While they were first in the Conewago section near Hanover — this land, according to the deed was on a branch of Codorus. —
Then to note that it was Conrad and his son Jacob, who took up the land, — not Valentine. Valentine comes into the matter later on. —

As to the name - derivation and meaning - and which you belong to I cannot say. - It is not apart of my work you see, — my part is the finding and placing of the people here. —

Relative to the meaning etc. — I can say only this — these people coming here to get away from oppression on the other side — could not read nor write. —
If the master of the ship put down the name of his passanger and spelled the name incorrectly nobody knew it, - and later it got into print that way. — A clerk at Philadelphia asking the new comer his name etc. - wrote it as he thought it might be spelled — and when Rev. John Casper Stoever - (a German with a college education) put it down in his own records as Euler - (and it looks as though he knew the family well) — it would seem to be the most trust worthy. I would take it in preference to a clerk's hurried scrawl. — As for anything more definite I cannot say.

Very truly
Lottie M. Bausman.

DR. J. S. EILAR
DENTAL SURGEON
512 FIRST NAT'L BANK BLDG.
ALBUQUERQUE, N. M.

March 20 1936

Dear Jess:

I have delayed returning these thinking everyday I might uncover something that would be of interest to you.

I have this to report.

Samuel and his brother Jacob evidently married sisters. I have located the Snider homestead, which evidently was the estate that was refered to in the old letter.

I have located the place from whence the Sniders migrated, and all indications are,that ~~the~~ Valentine and Susannah, and their son Jacob migrated with them.

In this community from whence came the Sniders, lived a CONRADT EULER, and wife. They sponsered a Baptism June 25 I74I. I have not yet completed my search, but it looks that this Conradt Euler is our Conrad,and the grandfather of Valentine,I745. Culps also lived in this community

In the next week or two I should have definate information and connection with the Conradt Euler.

I have made a thorough study of the ship list, landing at Philadelphia and find a Conrat Iller comeing over in I729. John Georg Eyler, who's name when taking the oath of allegiance became Euler, came over in I737. Vallentine Uhler, came over on the Charming Nancy I737. These are the only ones that could have any bearing on our family and you see from the dates they were after I704. I find a lot of the families who married into the Eilar or Eiler family comeing over at this period.

In your search did you find any evidence of Valentine and Susannah(Culp) having real estate? (In Maryland or Pennsylvania)

I will be back in Indiana this summer and want to talk with your mother, and go over to the Eilar farm and Brick cemetery.

I have another lead on the Eilar family bible which may bear fruit, also a clipping from a paper concerning the death of Samuel, and his burial.

Were there any of the original papers missing I returned to you. If there was, I will look through my file for them. However I am sure they were all returned as they were all kept to-gether in a steel filing cabinet. They are your property and I have no thot of keeping any of them. I hope you will find these as you sent them.

Sincerely

Sylbert

DR. J. S. EILAR
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ALBUQUERQUE, N. M.

Aug. 3,1936

Dear Jess:

Returned home June 23 after a 5,000 mile drive in little over two weeks. Made the trip from Indianapolis here in two days, drove to Claremore Okla. the first day and on in here the next night at ten.

I have been so busy at the office that I havn't had time to write to the people I visited on my trip, but when I got your card I decided I would answer you so that if I want a little help from you in the future I will feel free to ask you, Hi.

Well, I met the finest people you would hope to meet, both here in the States and in Canada. There is no doubt but that I am on the right tract, and that the people in Canada are our relatives. The branches of the family in Pa. spell the name Oyler, and I have a lot of work to do on them. I have definately located the first Valentine, his will is on record, and he was the son of Conrad, the one who had the 200 acres. So far as I know I am the only one who is able to trace definately back to this Conrad, others who have tried have not been able to make the connection. The family was first Luthern, and the Oylers of Pa. are still Luthern. Old baptismal records show where we first settled, and the time I placed our first Valentine moving from the first settlement corresponds with the records of the church as our family disappears from the records at that time. Our Valentine II drops from the tax records in 1781. The people who married into the Iler family of Canada all came from the same location in Pa. and Valentine II, the Arners, the Wigles and the Sniders all moved in a body to Canada. I visited the birth place of Valentine II, the birth place of our Sammy, visited as many of the people in Canada as I could and saw the old Snider homestead. I think I told you I had a copy of the will of Valentine II, and now I have the will of Valentine I. Conrad died inestate, in 1751. I traced out and found that the people with whom I was corresponding in Penn. came by the way of a Jacob, either a brother to Valentine II, or a brother to Valentine I. Church records show our name Euler, and Valentine Ist. will is Oiler, and ValentineII will, Eiler, which makes no difference as the Penn. Dutch pronounce the name, first Oiler, then Eiler and do not know when they say it differently. I talked to several of them. I could go on here for hours but I think this is what you want and I am glad to give it to you. I am sure of everything I say, however, there are a lot of things left to work out. Now Jess look that old receipt over again and let me know what you think of the deduction I made about the last two words, not on ACCT, but isn't it ANTH, Cary, and signed Benj. Ogle. I found historical facts that looks like it might bear out my reasoning. It is past six and I must get home, I wish I could talk to you but will keep you informed.

Sincerely,

An after-thought on the other side.

All realestate transactions are called indentures on the records, if Conrad was indentured I found no record. He had six children, died I75I, receipt written in I704, which is 47 years previous to his death, probably 20 years old or younger when receipt was written, and probably born in I684 or 85. making him 67 years old when he died. Looks to me that the Conrad of the Receipt and the Conrad of the 200 acres are the same man, and our progenator.

How does it look to you?

Add, that he took the grant in I738 which was I3 years before his death which gives him time to have a son Jacob old enough to take out another 200 acres at the same time, that he had a son Valentine who bought out the interest of his brothers and sisters, and that this Valentine had a son Valentine who disappears from the tax records in I78I, and we know our Valentine went to Candda about this time, and you will see that I have the facts, and that Conrad, is our Conrad. This isn't supposition I have dates and facts to back it up. So what do you say? As I told you when I was at your home, there are hundreds of Conrad and Valentine Eilers, Oilers, Eulers, Oylers etc. but after six months of hard labor and a five thousand mile trip I have found the ones who belong in our family.

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Aug. I2 I936

Dear Jess:

Pardon the delay, I have been busy as the devil, but thot every day I would write you a long letter. Time has sliped by, so will just answer your questions. I am taking the afternoon off, and will go out on top of the mountains where it is cool, and no one to bother me and write up some of the data I got on my trip.

We first settled on "Diggs Choice", near Hanover Penna, in I738.

Just where the original Luthern records are I do not know, They are all written in German but have been translated, not being able to read German I didn't care to see them. I visited both the old churches, the one on the Conewago, and the one on the Codoros. I presume the original records are either at Harrisburg or in the Archives of the church, neither of the ministers knew where they were, however I will find out. The first record on the book at the church on the Conewago, is a baptism of two sond of Jacob Euler, who was the oldest son of Conrad.

The birthplace of Valentine I, I do not know. If I stated that I did, it was an error. Valentine II was born near Hanover. Valentine I, was born before the time of settlement, in "Diggs choice" and is listed in some histories as being one of the first settlers instead of Jacob.

The will of Valentine I. is at York Penna. and the will of Valentine II at Dayton, Ohio.

Valentine I, died near Arendtsville Pa. March 2 I790

I could go into detail on all these questions but time will not permit and I want to get this to you. I located many people by the name of Oyler who evidently are decendents of Valentine I. by another route. I have found no one hung, and your fear of Conrad being endentured I believe can be dismissed. I believe the history of Maryland will come into our family but havn't had time to do anything on this phase. It took me about four months to find the location of our first settlement. Well I must close and do a little dentistry before I go to the mountains. With best regards, and let me hear from you any time.

Sincerely,

J. S.

WILHELM CONRAD VON EULER, looks possible, and good in print. I wouldn't be surprised but that it is right

Obituary---Eilar.

Miss Esther Eilar, Aunt Hetty as she was familiarly known, died at her home, near Cicero, Sept. 3d, 1902. Funeral services were conducted by Revs. Hill and Smeltzer, in the German Baptist church near Arcadia, the remains being interred in the German Baptist cemetery near that place. "Aunt Hetty" was born near Dayton, O., May 17, 1817, and migrated with her parents, Samuel and Susanna Eilar, to Wayne Co., Ind., about 1820, at which time the "walnut quarter section," one mile west of Hagerstown, on which the German Baptist church and cemetery are now located, was purchased by Samuel Eilar at a Government land sale.

"Aunt Hetty" lived with her parents on this farm until their death, in 1875, and was for many years her father's able assistant in dispensing the charity and hospitality for which he was long noted. From this farm she saw the primitive forest removed and give place to fertile, highly cultivated fields, as the rude log cabin had given place to a commodious brick residence. She saw a member of her family buried on a little knoll on the southeast corner of the farm, and later, saw that grave surrounded by thousands of others, until it had become a veritable City of the Dead. She also saw her father assist in building the first place of worship on this same knoll and many years later sat with the mourners at his funeral in the present large building which had just been completed. Wonderful, indeed, were the changes she witnessed during her long and useful life. "Aunt Hetty" moved from Wayne County in 1880 and has since lived on the farm on which she died, as above stated. She, in common with all human beings, had her faults, but lack of charity or kindness to the sick or poor will not be found recorded against her. Of her immediate relatives there are still three brothers and one sister living, —Jacob, Samuel, David and Ann (Mrs. Ann Buscher.) Knowing that "Aunt Hetty" had many friends in and near Hagerstown, especially among the older citizens, the writer thought, perhaps, this brief sketch would be of sufficient general interest to justify its publication in the Exponent and Wayne Farmer.

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Sept. 4 1936

Dear Jess:

Everything in the appendix #3 O.K., except, and I am curious.

If the church records of Kettle Creek state that Valentine was born in Germany, then our Valentine, that is Val. II can not be the son of Conrad, of the 200 acres.

Records definately show that Conrad had son Valentine, and Valentine I, had Valentine Jr. It is possable that Conrad returned to Germany and had Valentine I, but I do not believe that Valentine I, returned to Germany to produce Valentine Jr. and the records of the Kettle Creek Church must be of Valentine II.
(The above was all I intended to write, but I have some time so here is some more.)

If we are to take the Conrad of the receipt, then there is a generation between he and the Valentine of our line, or we must hunt for another Conrad. I have gone through the ship records form 1727-to -1775, studied all the names, 29,900, and have all the names that could possibly connect with our family. Ther are several Ohler- Eyler- Ouler- Euler- Eiler- Eyler- and the Conrat Iller. I can sight you cases of Eiler being changed to Iler, Euler changed to Oyler and Eyler, ~~Eil~~ Iler changed to Eiler and so on down. I have the names of the captains of the ships, when they arrived, and from which port. The captain would write the name one way and the oath of allegiance was written another. ~~I~~

Some historians give Conrad and Valentine as being amoung the first settlers of "Diggs choice", which is correct, but, Conrad and Jacob took out the warrents. I find both Valentine I, and Valentine, Jr. in the baptismal records of the church on the Codorus. I find Valentine, and a son Valentine in the Will at York. Valentine Jr. is droped in the tax records of 1781, but Valentine Sr. continues. Baptismal records are EULER. Other records OILER, and EYLER. (

To my mind our family is well maped, and unless I find something very, very surprising it will continue as I have found it. I do not mean by that, that I can not be shown where I am wrong for I want nothing but the truth and facts, and if anyone can show me anything definately different than what I have already found, I will back up, but not until. I checked the findings of Lottie Bausman and found them correct, and still uncovered facts, more facts that substanciate her logic. If anyone can show me where a Valentine E-I-L-E-R migrated from Penna. to Grosse Ile then I will trace it, and we will have to discard Conrad O-I-L-L-E-R, for I certainly have his line from the time he settled on the 200 acres. I hope some day to be able to show you all I have before I write it up. I havn't heard from the Eilers, perhaps my letter wasn't to their likeing and I am outcast.

J. S.

SEVENTH ANNUAL REUNION OF THE EILER FAMILY
(Ann Hartley Grove, near [illegible], Ind)
BRIEF SUMMARY OF FAMILY BACKGROUND
Aug. 2,1942

I. HOW IS THE NAME TO BE SPELLED?

A. SWISS FORM: EULER . (Pronounced OYLER or ILER)

a. Ernest Drum, geneologist, Zweibrucken, Palatinate, said in 1938 communication that all our family by any name started in Switzerland and some of them are still there. Others came down the Rhine and later scattered over Germany and to the New World at various dates.

B. GERMAN FORM: EYLER. (Pronounced OYLER or ILER)

a. There is an ILLER river in Bavaria, but EYLER is the correct form.

C. AMERICAN FORM: EILER, EILAR, EYLER, OYLER, ILER, UHLER.

a. There is an EYLER VALLEY and the old EYLER HOMESTEAD out the Great Road from Emmit to Frederick, Md., says E.Ralston Goldsborough, Rm. 2, Pythian Castle Bldg, Frederick, Maryland.

b. Our own ancestor, according to our best recorded information, signed his name CONRAD EILER, but it appears in legals as EYLER and in some church records as EULER.

II. WHY DID WE COME TO AMERICA?

A. FREEDOM OF WORSHIP.

a. Sept. 15, 1729, Alexander Mack brought 126 Palatinates on the Ship Allen from Rotterdam, via Cowes. They were Brethren, Dunkerds, or German Baptists escaping religious persecution. They settled in Pennsylvania near the Maryland state line and became law-abiding, religious, peace-loving people. They owned land and followed the trades they had learned in the Old Country.

b. In this group were Conrad Eiler, his family, including Jacob and Valentine, his neighbors, the Sniders, Arners, Weigles, Culps, etc.

c. In 1739 Conrad Eyler and sons Jacob and Valentine took out warrants for 200 acres, each, of land, at Digg's Choice. This land crossed disputed state lines and was partly in Maryland.

d. In 1740 JACOB EULER sponsored the first Lutheran Baptism. The name was given the original Swiss spelling by Rev. Casper Stover, who knew the family backgroung intimately.

e. In 1771 VALENTINE EILER and wife SUSANNAH EILER bought a tract of land known as Muddy Spring of Daniel Cooper, near Iler's Character, in Maryland, Frederick County.

f. In 1779 VALENTINE EILER and wife SUSANNAH EILER sold this land, on the request of a Conrad Oiller.

g. Valentine and wife were members of the Brethern Church in colonial days, says the History of the Brethren Church. Susannah Eiler's headstone says she died in 1838 and had been a member of the German Batist Church for 75 years.

III. MIGRATION TO CANADA IN THE WINTER OF 1779:

A. FREEDOM OF WORSHIP AGAIN THE MOTIVE.

a. The Detroit Library gives among the first settlers on Gros Isle a JACOB EILER. He was married and migrated with family and neighbors.

b. "OUR ANCESTORS" by Homer Eiler, 1518 Grove Ave., Topeka,Kansas, says little is known if Jacob's origin, but 'he was very religious, a Lutheran, and a Potter by trade."

c. We seem on sure ground when we assume that this JACOB EILER was the JACOB EYLER of the 1729 migration and the 1738 land grant, and oldest son of CONRAD EILER.

d. We know that our VALENTINE EILER , whose wife was Susannah Culp, went to Gros Isle in 1779 because as a member of the Brethren Church in colonial days he had remained true to his peace principles and was persecuted by neighbors who thought he should take up arms.

e. In the group who went to Canada were the Eilers, Sniders, Arners, Weigles, and others. Here SAMUEL EILER was born in 1791.

IV. VALENTINE RETURNS TO THE STATES IN 1796;

A. DAYTON in 1796:

a. The History of Mad River Township, Dayton, Ohio, says Daniel Cooper paid taxes for his miller, Valentine Cyler.

b. "Valentine Cyler was a NATIVE of Maryland (i.e., native means place of birth) and during the Revolution he was a Tory and fled to Canada. In 1796 he came to Dayton, settled on Section 21, known as the Mary [illegible] Farm, and raised a family." "He was miller for Daniel Cooper and helped build the first Courthouse in Dayton."
Valentine Eiler was born Feb. 14, 1743 and died Dec. 13,1813
His name is spelled VALENTINE EILER in his will, but it is spelled FELTY CYLER IN OHIO Pioneers.

c. "Two Centuries of the Brethren Church " says:
"Most of the colonial Brethren were land-loving and land-owning people. They were people who attended to their own business and did not participate in movements such as the Revolution. During the Revolution their faith as to non-resistance was put to a severe test. The utterly groundless charge was made by neighbors that their reluctance to take up arms was loyalty to England. Some were persecuted beyond endurance of highly strung nature and they moved deeper into the frontier."

d. The fact that our own VALENTINE EILER, father of Sammy Eiler, and direct forbear of most of the members of this reunion, came back in 1796 to the United States, remaining in Colchester Twp., Ontario, Canada, near Detroit only 16 years shows that his motive for leaving his native state, Maryland, or Diggs Choice, on the state line, was NOT loyalty to England.

e. Our SAMUEL EILER who was born on Gros Isle in March, 1791, married Susannah Snider in 1811 and moved in 1825 to Hagerstown, Indiana. He was deacon in the Brethren Church for 75 years. He died in 1875 and is buried at the Hagerstown Nettle Creek Church of the Brethren, on his old homestead. His mother, Susannah Culp Eilerm is also buried there. His father, Valentine Eiler, is buried at Dayton, Ohio.

f. There is no doubt about our direct connection with the Canadian Iler Family. A letter dated 1837 from David Iler to his 'Uncle Samuel and Aunt Susannah' says his father would love to see his old mother before she died. In the spring of 1838 another letter states that his father (Jacob Eiler, son of ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ Valentine and brother of Samuel) was grieved to hear of the death of his old mother, Susannah Culp Eiler, who, as we have said, died that winter.

V. "OUR ANCESTORS" by Homer Eiler, 1518 Grove Ave, Topeka, Kans.

A. His line came over about 1800. Three brothers, Conrad, Jacob, and another brother were in this group.

B. There have been many migrations of the old, original stock from Switzerland and the Rhineland, but it is now clear about our common origin.

C. All records verify the assumption that in the main the EILER FAMILY is good stock, law-abiding, given to church affairs. domestic in their tastes, interested in public affairs but not ambitious to assume public office or great power. Many are professional and business men and women; others Farmers.

Appendix Number Four
July 20,1948

I. "OUR ANCESTORS" by Homer Eiler, 1513 Grove Ave., Topeka, Kans.
  a. This book is in the State Historical Library,Indianapolis. It is dedicated to Lewis Eiler, father of Homer.
  b. In his line, three brothers came from Hesse-Darmstadt in 1800; Conrad, Jacob, and another. Their dated arrival puts them outside our direct line and in the cousin category.
  c. Here is a citation on our direct line: " There is a numerous family in Canada which first settled in Pennsylvania, early going to a region across from Detroit. Kingsley Iler, Arner, Essex Co., Ontario, Canada, is a living member of this branch. He says of Jacob Iler; 'Little is known of his origin, but he was religious, a Lutheran, and a potter by trade."

II. PROF. CLEMENT EILER,DEAN OF MEN, MILLIGAN, COLLEGE, TENN:
  a. A Christian preacher told me of this man. Clement may be of the Conrad-Jacob line of the land grant of 1738. This line drifted across the Mary;and line into Virginia, Carolinas, Tennesse.

III. E.RALSTON GOLDSBOROUGH; Rm.2,Pythian Castle. Bldg., Frederick, Md.
  a. He is a geneologist.
  b. He calls attention to an 'Eyler Valley' in Frederick County and into Pennsylvania. He states that Diggs Choice was a part of Brothers Agreement and that the land was in Maryland until the line was moved 20 miles south, its present location.
  c. He found two deeds executed by our Valentine, which pushes the documentary evidence back a few years.
    1. DEC. 23, 1771; A deed was executed by a Mr. Cooper and a Mr. Woodman (or Goodman?) in favor of Valentine Eiler and wife Susannah. It was a tract known as Muddy Spring and later Cooper's Alley. In Frederick County, Maryland.
    2. SEPT. 18, 1779; A deed was executed by Valentine Eiler and wife Susannah in favor of Conrad Eiler. Same tract as above.
  d. Mr. Goldsborough found a will made in 1815 by Conrad Iler and his children are; Conrad,John, Jacob, Peter, Barbara Wetzel, Catherine Fogle, Margaret. Wife, Barbara; also a son, Henry, who is to receive the tract known as Iler's Character if he settles down. This Conrad Iler voted in the presidential election of 1796.

IV. "VALENTINE EILER'S NATIVE STATE WAS MARYLAND"
History of Mad River Twp., Dayton, Ohio, Peter Lemon papers.
  a. "Valentine Cyler came to Dayton from Canada in 1796, was a Tory and had to leave his native state Maryland during the Revolutionary War and flee to Canada. He settled on Section 21, the Mary Woodman farm, and raised a family. He was the miller for Daniel Cooper. He was grandfather of D.W.Pottle, and his youngest son, Samuel, moved to Hagerstown,Indiana, in 1824."
  b. The History of the Brethren Church puts another light on the case of Valentine in war days. It says that " The early Brethren fled from the Valley of the Rhine to Holland and then to Philadelphia. In the 60 years of warfare in the Palatinate they had become a war-weary, war-hating people. In 1729 an entire church of 59 families, 129 souls, under Amexander Mack, came to Pennsylvania."-"Two Centuries of the Church of the Brethren".
  c. "Valentine Eiler was a member of the Brethren Church in colonial days.During the war he remained true to his peace principles and for this was persecuted and fled to Canada."-Otho Wenger.

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Copy of Letter

May 12 1938

My Dear Dr. Eilar:

I regret -------

If I were to continue the work on the research for your ancestor Valentine Eiler I would immediately write to Frederick Co. Maryland and trace Jacob, son of the Immigrant Conrad Iller, because he left York Co. prior to the Revolution, and his sisters migrated to Frerick Co. Another link is the fact that your ancestor Valentine named his first son Jacob.

On the Culp family, I did not find this name in the church records at the Hanover library. I made special search for the baptism of Susanna Culp.

Signed;

I mad e a long search in the Hanover library where the old church records are while back there and have many baptismal records. In ~~re~~ her report she gave me many court records all of which I saw.

Now I will tell you what happened. I have this thing pretty well under control and know where of I speak. Jacob son of Conrad sold his part to his brother Valentine as did all the others. This brother of Jacob's, Valentine, was very thrifty. While his name was Eiler, Eyler or Iller the decendents of this man go by the name of Oyler. This is no mistake for I have visited them. I have a deposition made by him in 1746, signed by his mark, with the name Valentine (F.E) Eyler written under it.
His will is under the name of Valentine Oyler and was probated April 21 1790.

(Which reminds me right now, I sent a survey of a tract of land made in 1791 or close to taht date to Clarence Eiler, to show him the name was spelled Eiler. I asked Clarence to return it to me, this he has never done(the dirty skunk). I have asked him for it a couple of times but no answer. You get this from him. Tell him you want it for the old collection or something. If I ever get back there and he hasn't returned it to me I am going to beat hell out of him. You smooth him out of it. It was a tract of land belonging to Jacob Eiler who was a son Of this Valentine and I went away back in the hills of Penna. to get it.) Now back to the appendix.

In Deed Book F Page 508 this deed is found.

Jacob EYLER, Manehim Tp. carpenter, one of the sons of Conrad Eyler late of Lancaster Co. dec. in Consideration of the sum of money (Five Shillings) to me in hand paid by Valentine Eyler, grants to said Valentine all his part of the land originally granted unto Conrad Eyler by warrent in land office at Philidelphia dated Oct. 3, 1738. situated on a Branch of the Codorous Creek on the west side of the Susquehanna River then in Lancaster Co. but now in Manhein Tp. York Co. whereon Valentine now dwells. This deed dated Dec. 5 1763

Other deeds follow from the sisters.

Then a deed dated Jan. 18 1776, Valentine sold this entire tract to Michael Hare. millwright of Lancaster. Valentine then moved up above Gettesbury where I located all his decendents. His wife's name was Susanna and I visited their graves. So is the line of Conrad, Valentine.

There is no doubt in my mind that our line is Conrad ,Jacob, Valentine and that our Valentine probably had a brother by the name of Conrad. Jacob evidently went over into Maryland and our work if it is ever started again should be there at Fredricksburg. I told you about the Benj. Ogle, have some photostatic copies of his signature and the archivists says there is no doubt about the signature being the same and the date 1784.

I also told you about the old receipt, where Susanna wife of Valentine paid off a $60.00 note made to a Conrad Iler, Nov. 18 1817.

IV NATIVE STATE MARYLAND.

From all my search this now seems to be true.

V. CHURCH RECORDS.

I visited the church on the Conowaga, and the Codorus, I find mention of the names but only as sponsors. Bauseman did most of my work for me and says our line probable takes off from Conrad but the records of Jacob are else where, probable in Maryland.

VI.
EUROPEAN BACKGROUNG.

Don't care much about that.

In some references I saw in Hanover and York the land grant was called the Jacob Eyler grant. It may be that Jacob was a brother of Conrad but things point that he was a son. I am satisfied our Valentine was born in America Feb. 14 1745.

VII
CONRAD EILER LINE

Now there is one stickler to this line of Conrad, Valentine , Valentine. Records show this Valentine Jr. who might be our Valentine once married Molly Arndt. Now if our Val. married Molly Arndt, and then later married Susanna Culp then we have a direct line to the Conrad by way of the first Valentine.

In the will of Valentine 1st he leaves his son Valentine 50 pound pounds. In the will of Jacob Arndt he states that his Daughter Molly married to Valentine Oyler and Daughter Barbara , married to Jacob Oyler. Now the funny thing about all this is that I can find no trace of this Valentine Jr. and nither can the researchers. If he is our Val. things would be easy and this has caused me no end of worry and expence. He just seems to have ~~dissapeared.~~ disappeared. There is one thing that makes me think there might be something to this two marriages of our Valentine and that is the 20 years difference in age of Jacob(the Canadian) and our Samuel. Maybe Val. had Jacob by his first marriage then Samuel by Susanna Culp. Even though the old letters of 1836 an37 say "he is desirious of seeing his old mother once more" it is possible Susanna was a step mother. And this may account for Jacob going over into Canada and not coming back with Val. Susanna, ~~Sam~~ and Samuel to Dayton. The records and books have this to say about Jacob of Canada. "Jacob Iler removed from the State of Penna. about 1790. previous to his coming he was united in marrage to Elizabeth Snider, ~~etc.~~who's father John Snider came with them. ---------------.

The 1st Val. died in April 1890. The Arndt will was made in 1804, so this lost Val. evidently was still married to Molly Arndt and would cut out this Val. Jr. being our Val.

So from deduction we would have to go back to the Conrad, Jacob

over

(the carpenter) and Valentine.

I have no idea what time it is but everyone is in bed long ago, so here I go.

Next Morning,
July 31, 1942

Now to your letter of July 27.

I. MIGRATION TO ~~GROSS ISLE~~ GROSSE ILE

Here is the book record of Jacob ILER.

"Jacob Iler removed from the State of Penna. about the year 1790, previous to his coming he was united in marriage to Elizabeth Snider Who's father John Snider came with them . They settled on Gross Isl- and not being satisfied, in the year 1808 , Jacob purchased Lot # 37 on the lake, Colchester. At that time trouble was brewing between the U.S. and Great Briton and moving was forbidden. He was taken to Detroit to be tried for violating the law in attempting to move to his new purchase, but was acquited. A man by the name of Chittendon residing in Amherstburg encouraged him to make another ~~try~~ attempt, promising him assistance. In the dead hour of the night provided by sleighs by him they removed all their goods and chattles across ~~t~~ the river without detection, and once ~~more~~ over were safe from molestation."

Note the date, 1790. Note the mention of John Snider but nothing of Valentine Eyler.

We do know that Val and Susanna were there, Sammy was born there there is no doubt. There is one old Snider homestead in the U.S. and another in Ontario.

My opinion is that again when war came Valentine and Samuel moved away, this time to ~~Dayton~~ Dayton, app. 1811.

Homer Eiler's letters to me are the same as to you. His line came later.

Don't be confused, there are a lot of Jacobs. This Jacob of Canada was the son of Valentine. The Father of Valentine I feel sure was a Jacob, and it is possible that the baptismal sponsor was Jacob the father of Val. and the grandfather of Jacob of Canada and our Sammy.

From the Snider side I learn that it is said that they came ~~fr~~ from Plumb Creek in Penna. There is no doubt the~~y~~ Sniders, Eilers, Arners etc, went to Canada together, but I located a Plumb creek church of the Brether about half way between York and Detroit. I visited this place and talked to some old timers around there. I am of the opinion our people did not go directly from Maryland to

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October 16, 1956

Mr. J. H. Eilar
1936 Broad Street
New Castle, Indiana

Dear Jess:

Thanks for sending me the material, and I am returning same with the exception of the notice of my Grandfather's death, which I imagined you wanted me to have. However, if you want this I shall be glad to return it.

As you know, I have spent years and many hours of time on this research and have employed three geneaologists in different sections. I also have visited all the communities involved in our ancestral migration and have personally seen all documents, wills, deeds, etc, of our ancestors as well as those of the other lines. I have read three books on the Brethern Church, have corresponded with the central office of the church and presidents of schools of the Brethern denomination. I have stood on the land of Valentine Eiler, know the exact location of Conrad's, the immigrant, land, have all data pertaining to Conrad's family, disposition of his land, in fact, my research and the research of the three geneaologists is complete in every detail.

I personally went through and noted every name listed of the German immigrants from 1727 to 1775, which has a total of 29,900 names. I find several Eyler, Euler, Eiler, Ohler, Olier, Oller, Uhler coming from Germany in this period, but only one Iller which is Conrad, that could have any connection with our branch of the family if we are to take the lineage of Conrad, Jacob, and Valentine, which I am satisfied is our line. You can stand in parts of Pennsylvania and Maryland and throw rocks in any direction and hit an Eiler, or any of the other spellings you might wish to make of our name.

It has been very difficult to separate the different families but I am sure I have done so. As I told you there is only one more lead where I might find our Jacob, and that I am pursueing. However, at this moment, I feel that I stood within a few feet of his grave on a side of a hill in Maryland.

I am sure that the three brothers coming from Germany is only a myth, as I know very definitely that John Eyler of the Dr. Beard Addendum # 1 is not of our line as I have records of this man and know where to place him. I also know that Valentine and Conrad Eyler, mentioned

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in this paper, were not brothers.

The Beards do come into the Eiler family, being cousins, and I have seen the burial place of many of them. While I have this in mind, in the same cemetary I saw the burial plot of one of Conrad's descendants. The name of the father and husband was spelled Eyler, the wife lying next to him was spelled Eiler, and on the stone of the daughter lying next was spelled Iler. As you know, and as I have always contended the name was written as the old German pronounced it and the person writing it used whichever manner he chose. However, I feel as you do that the correct spelling is Eiler.

You are wrong concerning Valentine [illegible] not being mentioned in the transaction of his land to Conrad as he is definitely listed and signs his name Val Eiler.

I visited Henry Crull out northeast of Hagerstown and got a lot of information on the Crull family, however, I would like to contact Mrs. Ritchie.

I visited the brick church and cemetary in 1936 and I have pictures of Samuel and Susanna's graves.

Any information that Emmet might have that would throw any light or a different angle on our family, please let me have it. There is one thing I would appreciate very much if you would do for me. I would like for you to search the records in Richmond and find the exact date of when Samuel acquired his land make sure that it was the original grant from the Government. I know the story of his throwing his cap in the air but I would like to have the exact date of this transaction. I would also like anything else pertaining to this piece of property such as the sale, and if there was a will I would like a photostat copy for which I would be glad to pay.

Things have been stacking up on me in my absence so I will keep pretty busy with my office work for a while.

Thanks again for helping me.

Sincerely,

J. S. Eilar, D. D. S.

JSE/jh

Over

I dug through records and dust and soot an inch deep in the Court House in Dayton last spring and found where Samuel's lots were. Also that Valentine, the miller for D. C. Cooper, was one of the highest tax paying citizens, having paid something over $5., and D. C. Cooper having paid a little over $7.

I am still unable to locate the grave of Valentine and find that many of the cometaries close in to Dayton were destroyed and no records kept.

Grosse Isle but stop back in the woods for some time and then in 1790 went to Gross Isle.

You ~~sat~~ state church records or rather records from Dayton say Valentine raised a family. Why don't you fing who the other members of the family were. We only know definately of the two boys, Jacob and Samuel.

I think there is little doubt but that our name is the German EILER.

I have yet to find any of the old timers who signed their name except with an X.

The heat must have gotten you when you wrote your last paragraph in the letter.

" The three brothers, Jacob, Samuel, and the third not mentioned but perhaps Valentine, whe where in the Gross Isle migration in 1779 were sons of Jacob Eyler, the first settler?"

Impossible, first we know ~~Val~~ our Valentine was born in 1745 then we know that Jacob Iler,(Canadian) was born in 1771, and we know our Samuel was born 1791.

No our line if we connect with the Conrad(which I feel,we do) must be Conrad, Jacob, Valentine, Samuel,

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I wish you could come out some time and look through all the letters, books, records etc. I have on this, it would give you some idea of the amount of work done.

It took me six weeks to locate Gross Isle. You know the Bible says, Grosszeal. Take a run up to Detroit and look theisland over.

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W.R. 8-253 Atthe request of John Kitzmiller the following deed was recorded 27th October 1738 to wit: This Indenture made this tenth day of May one thousand seven hundred and eighty eight Between Valentine Oyler of Liberty Town in Frederick County and State of Maryland Sadler of the one part and John Kitzmiller of York County in Pennsylvania, Blacksmith, of the other part Witnesseth that the said Valentine Oyler for and in consideration of the sum of one hundred and sixty pounds Gold and Silver specie to him in hand paid - - - - sold - - - - unto the said John Kitzmiller and Heirs the following three parcels of Ground lying and being and adjoining the Town of Liberty in Frederick County aforesaid being part of a Tract of Land called Dukes Woods, and on a Branch of Linganore called Piney run to wit, the first part or parcel being Lott number Twenty two of the said town of Liberty Begins in the Branch called Piney run and running on the South side of Liberty Town South four degrees East three hundred feet - - - - - . The second being Lott Number twenty four of the said Town of Liberty including a back Lott Being on the South side of the Main Street and running thence South four degrees East three hundred feet - - - - to the Beginning. And the third part of parcel of Ground lying and being on the South side of Liberty Town Begining at at a Stone set up and marked with the letter VO about two perches from Trammells Saw Mill race on the West side of said race and running thence South four degrees East seven perches - - - - to the Beginning containing acres of Land which said three parcels of Ground was formerly purchased by the said Oyler of John Young and all the said purchases except one Lott sold thereout to Joseph Boyler, one other Lott thereout to Adam Creager and one one other Lott sold thereout to Peter Leamon, and all and singular the Houses, Gardens, Fences, Meadows, and Improvements to the said three parcels of Ground belonging - - - - - - .

Mary wife of Valentine Oyler relinquished her right of dower in said lotts.

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W.R. 33-18 At the request of Adam Snook the following deed was recorded the 8th. April, 1808: This Indenture made this twenty fourth day of October eighteen hundred and seven by and between Catherine Iler the widow of George Iler deceased and one of the heirs and representatives of Mathias Mort late of Frederick County and State of Maryland deceased of the one part and Adam Snook of the same county blacksmith of the other part Witnesseth that the said said Catherine Iler for and in consideration of the sum of one hundred and twenty dollars to her in hand paid by the said Adam Snook - - - sold - - - untothe said Adam Snook all her the said Catherine Iler's right title interest claim and demand of in and to her undivided moiety of the estate of the said Mathias Mort deceased that she as one of the heirs and representatives of the said Mathias Mort deceased may be Intitled to ask demand and receive be the same real personal or mixed - - - - - .

W.R. 12-422 At the request of 1230 Conrad Eiler the following deed was recorded 17 May 1794 to wit: This Indenture made this tenth day of May seventeen hundred and ninety four Between Madalene Fox widow of Mathias Fox deceased, Jacob Duttero and Elisabeth his wife, Mary Roads, Jacob Fox and Margaret his wife and Balser Fox, which said Elizabeth, Mary, Margaret, and 7155 Balser are Children and representatives of the said 34274 Mathias Fox deceased of the one part and Conrad Eiler of Frederick County and State of Maryland of the other part. Whereas the said Mathias died intestate seized in fee and possessed of the Land hereinafter mentioned having during his lifetime entered into Bond for the conveying the same to a certain Ludwick Birely in fee who afterward transferred his right therein to a certain Conrad Eiler party to this deed. - - - - - - - - . Now this Indenture witnesseth that the said Madalene Fox, Jacob Duttero, and Elizabeth his wife, Mary Roads, Jacob Fox and Margaret his wife, and Balser Fox for and in consideration of the premises and sum of five shillings to them in hand

respectively paid - - - - sold - - - - unto the said Conrad Eiler and his Heirs all their Estate Right Title Interest Property Claim and Demand in Law and in Equity of in and to all that part of the Tract of Land called the resurvey on Andrews delight situated in the County aforesaid and containing eighty six Acres more or less.

Signed Sealed published and declared by Frederick Eyler, the above named testator, in the presence of us who at his request, in his presence and in the presence of each other, have subscribed our names as witnesses to the same

P. Woods Henry Harbaugh Elie his X mark Harbaugh

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M.S. 2-7 Conrad Eiler, Sr., by his will of October 19, 1815, gave, devised and bequeathed as follows: to his son Conrad the plantation known as "Ilers Character" containing about one hundered and seventy acres of land; to his son Jacob the tract on which he (Jacob) lived, a part of the "Resurvey on Good Neighborhood" containing about fifty acres of land; to his son John Iler the tract on which he (John) lived called "Long Bottom Enlarged" containing about two hundred and thirty-nine acres of land; also the son Conrad Iler was devised a small tract of woodland, adjoining the land of John Stambaugh containing about twenty-four acres of land. He bequested to his wife Barbara 1231 Iler the sum of fifty pounds. In resume the will names the following children: 688 Conrad Iler, 7245 John Iler, 7257 Jacob Iler, 7160 Peter Iler, 7266 Barbara Wetsel, 6886 Catherine Fogle, and 7314 Margaret Iler. He specifically states that his son Conrad is to care for his daughter Margaret (sister of Conrad). Daughter 7154 Elizabeths three children to receive "35 pounds current money that is to say 7158 Barbara Fox, ten pounds, and 7159 Susanna Fox ten pounds current money and to 7156 Balser Fox fifteen pounds current money", to be paid after the death of the said 7154 Elizabeth. Also to seven children of his son 7268 Frederick, that is to say "to Catherine ? Fogle, ten pounds, current money, Mary 7270 Keny ten pounds current money, 35130 Elizabeth Fogle, ten pounds, current money, 7272 William Iler, fifteen pounds, current money, 7271 John Iler, ten pounds, current money, and 7308 Lydia Iler, ten pounds current money, when they arrive at full age". The will also mentions his sons-in-law 7267 John Wetsel and 6887 Mathias Fogle; also provides that a certain sum be paid to his son Henry 64577 by his sons Conrad, John and Peter Iler, and Jacob Wetsel and Ma-

thias Fogle, upon condition that he marry and settle down. To a daughter 7266 Barbara Wetsel the small tract on which she lived. And lastly he constituted and appointed his sons John Iler and Conrad Iler his sole Executors. His will was probated July 29, 1816.

H.S. 2-449 In the name of God Amen, I Frederick Eyler of Frederick County & State of Maryland Considering the uncertainty of this mortal life and being of sound and perfect mind and memory, blessed be almighty God for the same, do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say; First and principally I commit my soul to almighty God, and my body to the earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors hereinafter named and after my debts and funeral charges are paid and my wifes thirds taken out, I devise and bequeath as follows; Item. I give and devise unto my two sons, that is to say unto Frederick Eyler, Junr. and Adam Eyler, my plantation whereon I now dwell, consisting of part of a tract of land called "Ilers Content" part of a tract of land called "Margaret and Jonas's partnership" and a tract of land called "Eilers request" Containing in the whole about four hundred and seventy three acres, more or less, to them the said Frederick Eyler and Adam Eyler their heirs and assigns forever, subject to the legacies hereinafter mentioned; which plantation is included within the courses, metes and bounds set down and expressed, with a plot there of, in an instrument of writing, written at my request, by John Woodrow, Surveyor, and dated the twenty eighth day of June eighteen hundred and twenty, which I will and devise to be recorded as soon as possible after the date of this my last will and testament. The whole of said tract or parcel of land included within the bounds aforesaid- I give and devise as aforesaid to my said two sons Frederick and Adam Eyler, their heirs and assigns forever- Item. I give and devise to my son John Eyler - - - - - part of a Tract of land called "Ilers Content", a tract of land called "Margaret and Jonas's Partnership", containing in the whole one hundred and eighty seven acres of land more or less --- - - - - Item. I give and devise to my said son John Eyler the following parcel or tract of land, that is to say, being part of a tract of land called "Iler Content" situated in Frederick County beginning for said parcel of land at a stone

planted at the end of the third line of the whole tract called "Ilers Content" and running thence ********** containing fifty six acres and one half ******. Item. I give and bequeath to my three sons already mentioned that is to say Frederick, Junr., Adam and John Eyler the following tract or parcel of land, that is to say a tract called "Margaret and Jonas's Partnership" conveyed to me by Margaret McKissick and Jonas Oyler containing two hundred and twenty acres as will appear by deed of said land to me on record ************. Item. I give and bequest to my son Henry Eyler the sum of one hundred dollars current money. Item. I give and bequeath to my son Jacob Eyler the sum of five hundred dollars current money. Item. I give and bequeath to my daughter Sary Eyler seven hundred dollars current money. Item. I give and bequeath to my daughter Barbara Bingaman wife of Harman Bingaman the sum of one hundred dollars current money. Item. I give and bequeath to my daughter Magdalena Hoffman wife of George Hoffman the sum of six hundred dollars current money. Item. I give and bequeath to my daughter Susanna Mayers wife of Jonas Mayers, the sum of six hindred dollars current money. Item. I give and bequeath to my daughter Eve Creeger wife of John Creeger, the sum of six hundred dollars current money, excepting the amount of Bond for one hundred and eighty nine Dollars and thirty five cents, due my son Adam Eyler by said John Creeger - - - - - - . I tem. I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Barbara Eyler, in case she should outlive me, her right of dower to one third of all my real Estate during her natural life-
And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my beloved sons John Eyler and Adam Eyler to be sole Executors of this my last will and testament, revoking and annulling all former wills by me heretofore made, ratifying and confirming this and none other to be my last will and testament-.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this eighth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty-

his
Frederick E Eyler (Seal)
mark

EYLER (EILER) MARRIAGES.

Conrad Eyler	married	Ann Maria Kemp	Sept. 18, 1820
" "	"	Julean Strine	Nov. 15, 1827
" Eiler	"	Elizabeth Fogle	July 26, 1834
Chas. A. Eyler	"	Charlotte Louisa Giverly	Oct. 26, 1837
Daniel Eiler	"	Sophia Grushong	Dec. 15, 1837
Daniel I. Eyler	"	Lydia Ann Fogle	Nov. 17, 1860
Ezra Eyler	"	Sabina Stouffer	Aug. 10, 1831
" "	"	Elizabeth Moser	Sept. 19, 1849
Henry "	"	" Lookaback	Aug. 2, 1815
" "	"	Emily R. Valentine	Dec. 18, 1855
" M."	"	Mary Sophia Fogle	Aug. 20, 1861
John "	"	Rebecca Harbaugh	Aug. 23, 1820
" "	"	Catherine Miller	Aug. 5, 1824
" " of Peter	married	Catherine Strine	Aug. 28, 1832
Jonah Eiler	married	Catherine E. Snook	Nov. 1, 1851
Jeremiah Eyler	"	Elizabeth Ann Eyler	Jan. 17, 1855
Joseph H. "	"	Margaret M. Wilhide	June 2, 1860
John E. "	"	Amanda C. Harshman	June 14, 1864
John "	"	Lucretia Ott	Nov. 25, 1864
John F. "	"	Mary A. Earnst	Dec. 7, 1864
Marshal Eiler	"	Catherine Eiler	Aug. 27, 1862
Peter Eyler	"	Susanna Strine	March 1, 1834
Perry "	"	Catherine Warrenfels	Aug. 26, 1864
Solomon "	"	Susanna Stilely	May 8, 1854
Theodore "	"	Caroline Wilhide	July 22, 1850

Thomas H. Eyler married Sarah Cline ....Feb. 16, 1857
William " " Mary Strein .... Oct. 2, 1821
William " of Jacob, married Mary Ann Eyler .... March 6, 1849
Ann " married John Dorsey .... June 9, 1834
Adeline " " John C. R. Eckman .... June 14, 1842
Amanda " " Joshua Carmack .... July 30, 1856
Anna " " Frederick Heffner .... Dec. 5, 1861
Amanda Catherine Eyler married David Harbaugh .... Dec. 24, 1862
Barbara Eyler married Anthony Smith .... Dec. 2, 1828
Catherine " " Mathias Fogle .... Dec. 4, 1813
Catherine " " Robert Clugston .... March 4, 1833
Catherine " " Jacob Ridenour .... March 10,1851
Catherine Eiler " Michael Eiler .... Aug. 27, 1862
Eliza Eyler " John B. Wayant .... July 29, 1842
Elizabeth Eyler " Samuel Diffendall .... Jan. 18, 1845
Elizabeth Ann Eyler " Jeremiah Eyler .... Jan. 17, 1855
Ellen Eyler " John Fogle .... Dec. 23, 1862
Harriet Eyler " Ephraim F. Harbaugh .... Aug. 22, 1853
Harriet E. Eyler " William H. Danner .... Jan. 9, 1863
Josephine Eyler " Aaron Eyler .... Nov. 18, 1843
Julia Ann Eyler " Paul Anders .... March 10,1857
Lavinia Eyler " Isreal Willier .... Sept. 8, 1834
Mary Eyler " Daniel Creager .... Oct. 13, 1810
Margaret Eyler " Solomon Beard .... April 19,1839
Mary A. Eyler " John Weller .... April 27,1842
Maria Eyler " David Benshew .... Oct. 10, 1842
Margaret Eiler " Joseph Hummer .... Nov. 4, 1842

Margaret Eyler	married	Ezra Doub	March 17,1846
Mary Ann "	"	William Eyler of Jacob	March 6, 1849
Mary Jane "	"	Cyrus C. Kuhn	Oct. 5, 1853
Mary Ann "	"	Daniel Fox	Jan. 3, 1857
Margaret Ann Eyler	"	Otto Cornelius Wilhide	April 15,1859
Mary I. Eyler	"	George W. Strasberger	April 21,1861
Matilda Eyler	"	George T. Bostion	Jan. 10, 1862
Priscilla Eyler	"	Jacob Hammer	Aug. 14, 1819
Prudence A. Eyler	"	Edward O. Wilhide	March 26,1860
Rachel Eyler	"	Joshua Wierfeltz	Dec. 9, 1847
Rebecca C. Eyler	"	John A. Williard	Dec. 27, 1855
Susannah Eiler	"	James Mayers	Dec. 11, 1806
Susannah Eyler	"	Daniel Havener	June 6, 1816
Susanna Eyler	"	Joseph Frisler	April 9, 1822
Sophia Eyler	"	William Beall	Nov. 19, 1823
Sarah Eyler	"	Benjamin Harbaugh	Oct. 4, 1826
Sarah Eyler	"	Joseph Wilhide	Jan. 9, 1828
Sarah Ann Eiler	"	Thomas A. Miller	May 9, 1842
Savilla Eyler	"	John W. Shoemaker	Feb. 24, 1846
Susan Eyler	"	Ezra Bowlus	Oct. 22, 1849
Susan Eyler	"	Jacob Ott	Nov. 17, 1849
Susannah Eyler	"	George W. Freeze	May 20, 1865
Thorea Eyler	"	Henry Winters	Oct. 13, 1853
Tacie E. Eyler	"	James M. Smith	April 28,1863

GLEANINGS FROM FILES OF
HOMER EILER, 247 Foothill Blvd.
Los Angeles Co., Calif.
(Altadena P.O.)

I. EILER: German intellectuals versed in ancient lore say name originally meant to hasten; to speed. Homer's great-grandfather was born in Alsace-Lorraine, Hesse Cassel, in 1766. He was a potter. EULER meant POTTER, it seems. Geneologist Ernest Drumm, Zweibrucken, informed us in 1938 that the family originated in Switzerland, and the stem name was Euler. In Germany it became Eiler. In Holland it seems to have been modified to Eylar and Eyler.

II. THREE SONS OF VALENTINE EILER:

a. Canadian tradition names Jacob (1771-1843), Conrad, and Samuel (1791-1875). They were Penn. Dutch and Jacob went from Plum Creek Penn. to Canada while the other brothers went west (Ind. and Wis).

b. Plum Cr. or Plum Run is a small stream that rises at Arendtsville, north of Gettysburg, and flows into Maryland near Emmetsburg. In this vicinity is a beautiful little valley known as Eyler Valley. Our Valentine Eiler, later married to Susannah Culp, seems to have lived in this community in Frederick Co., Md. prior to 1779.

c. Records of pioneers and church members tell of his being a native of Maryland and going to Canada during the Revolution. Native mean born there. A family tradition and another church record says Valentine had emigrated from Germany, was a member of the Brethren or Dunkard Ch. in colonial days. We are trying to get that settled -If he was a native of Maryland we no doubt connect with Conrad Eiler of the 1729 migration and the 1738 land grant through his oldest son Jacob. Note the similarity of names:

Conrad of 1729 migration with the Dunkards and Alex. Mack had sons Jacob and Valentine....We KNOW our Valentine Eiler, b. 1745 either in Germany or in Maryland, had sons Jacob, Conrad, Samuel. They came from same location and were members of same religious group. They married into the same families; Culps, Sniders, Arners. These families came in the same ship, 1729, as Brethren (Dunkards). THE BIG QUESTION: Was our Valentine born in Germany? If so, when did he come to America? Or was he the son of Jacob Eiler, and grandson of Conrad Eiler of the 1729 migration, 1738 land warrant?

III. The Iler Settlement in Canada. In Colchester Twp., Essex County, Ont.

a. Ralph Kingsley Iler, Arner, Essex Co., Ontario, Canada, reports.

b. His ancestor, Jacob, was one of the three sons of Valentine.

1. We KNOW he was brother of our Samuel. We have letters from David Iler in Canada, to his Uncle Samuel Iler. In Fall of 1837 David says his father (Jacob) wanted to see his dear old mother once more before she died. In the Spring of 1838 David wrote again saying how sad his father was to hear of the death of his old mother. (Susannah Culp Eiler, widow of Valentine Eiler, died in the winter of 1837-38 and is buried at the Brick Church west of Hagerstown, Ind. Her headstone says she was a member of the German Baptist Church for 75 years)

Jacob Iler married Susan Snider, says Kingsley Iler. Is that an error Samuel and Jacob married Snider sisters, one Elizabeth and other Susannah, and ~~we think~~ our Samuel married Susanah Snider.

c. Ralph Kingsley Iler says his ancestor Jacob used broken English, Penn. Dutch, and they called it Low Dutch (Holland). He says the family used Bible names profusely (David, Daniel, Samuel, Solomon)

d. Ralph says his course in German in high school says Eilen means to hasten and Eiler means one who hastens or makes speed.

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e. Our Valentine is not mentioned by Ralph. Probably not there long enough to be listed as a pioneer. Seems to have been there or on Gros Isle perhaps only from 1790-1796. Or 1779 -1796. Then Dayton.

.C.WELLER, Waynesboro,Penn. Civil Engineer:
1. Ancestor was Jonas Eyler, 1754;married Ann Harbaugh.
2. D.C. was born in Eylersvalley, Frederick Co., Md.
3. He mentions three spellings of the family name:
   Eyler, Oyler, Eiler.
4. The Penn. Dutch came from the Palatinate along the Rhine, from Switzerland and Alsace-Lorraine./ Their Bibles were printed in High German (Dutch) but in the families the dialect Low Dutch was used.
5. Many of the Eylers in those days were Moravians and worshipped in the Graceham, Md. church, 6 miles south of Emmitsburg. Others of the family belonged to the Brethren Church, Lutherans, etc.
6. IMPORTANT! Weller mentions Edward T.Schultz's book, entitled "History of the German Settlements in Maryland" Frederick,Md.1896. The book is out of print but was highly appreciated by those who were fortunate enough to own one. It might clear up the origin of our ancestor, Valentine Eiler, b. Feb. 14,1745; d. Dayton,Dec.13,181
7. "THE FIRST EYLER SETTLEMENTS IN MARYLAND CAME BY WAY OF HANOVER,PA. WHERE IT SEEMS THEY FIRST SETTLED, COMING FROM EUROPE AS PENN DUTCH IN THE EARLY DAYS OF THE PENN. SETTLEMENTS".
   This agrees with our thesis;Valentine son of Jacob of 1738 land grant and grandson of Conrad Eiler (Conrat Iller in some prints) of the 1729 migration on Ship Allen. (Rupp).
8. JONAS EYLER Penn Archives Fifth Series Voll III p. 338, muster roll of soldiers in the Revolution, Stokeleys Co.,8th Penn Reg. Name also spelled Jonas Oyler. He was born in Md. in 1754.

It seems that Homer Eiler sold his copy of Schultz's book to Weller in 1924. Weller was 81 then. Book lost?

9. Anthony Oehler and Peter Euler were in Staunton Co. Va. in 1769. Sons of Jacob? Bro. Valentine?

V. MRS. J.W.EYLAR,OKLAHOMA CITY.
1. Her ancestors came from Rotterdam, Holland, where the family had resided for 200 years. They came prior to that from Wurtenburg,Ger.
2. "The original spelling of the name was EULER. A Swiss mathematician Leonardo Euler distinguished self.
3. Eylar ..Eylar is the Dutch spelling. They settled in America just north of Frederick, Md. where there is a beautiful valley known as Eylar's Valley and settlers raise stock and do general farming.
4. He mentions the Eylar Booklet. One who answers letter uses letterhead of Elliott Fisher Co., Canadian Pacific Bldg.,342 Madison Ave. New Yo A.H.Eylar seems to be name.

VI. A.H.EILERS & CO. St. Louis. Mo.
a. Says every large city directory lists Eilers, with various 'cutoffs'.
b. Says it is big job to trace any one line; numerous families.

VII. WILLIAMS HISTORY OF FREDERICK CO. MD.
a. Frederick Eyler, b. Apr. 9,1776, in Switzerland.
b. Came to Maryland and bought tract which he called "Eyler Valley".
c. References appear of will of Conrad Iler,Sr. in 1815;
   Conrod Eiler in "Eiler's Correction, 137 acres.
   Frederick Eiler's Request, 1814.
   Eyler's Increase... "Eyler's Contentment"-"Ilers Delight" tracts.
d. Lutheran Records: Children of Conrad Eiler:Conrad.Johannes,Jacob.
e. Conrad Eiler and Anna Barbara; children-John b. 1781; Susanna;1787; Henry, 1791; William 1792. (Might be borther of Valentine)
f. Valentine Eiler and Magdalena Eiler record births of Frederick,1783, and Elizabeth, 1787. But our Valentine's wife remained Susannah Culp.

Jacob Iler
Born 1786. Married Elizabeth Sneider
1774 - 1843

Children:
Susan: Ann: Mary: Elizabeth: DAVID: SOLOMON: SAMUEL: JOHN: JACOB:

SOLOMON
BORN 1802 Married M.Hannah Costworth

Children;
ANN: ELIZABETH: ESTER: HANNAH: SUSAN: JOHN C. JOSEPH: GEORGE: SOLOMON:
THOMAS: LEONARD: BARRETT:

JOHN.
BORN. 1806 Died 1877 Married Susan Wigle

Children;
Sarah: ELIZABETH: JULIA ANN: SUSAN: JANE: LINNIE: PETER: JOHN: JACOB:
HENRY: ALANSON.

The original EULER fooled clerks. The Germanumlaut EU is pronounced OI or OY. Hence many spellings arose; Iller, Oyler, Oiler, Eiler, Ehler, Uhler, etc.

THE CONRAD EILER LINE

- Conrad Eiler 1684?-1751 Wife Elizabeth? No.
  - Mary
  - Catherine
  - Barbara
  - Jacob Eyler 1718-1792 ? d. 1797
    - Does he have issue
    - Valentine 1745-1813 Wife Susanna Culp
      - Jacob Iler 1771-1843 wife Eliza. Snider (In Canada since 1790)
        - Susanna
        - Ann
        - Mary
        - Elizabeth
        - David
        - Solomon
        - Samuel
        - Jacob
        - John
      - Samuel Eiler 1791-1875 wife Susanna Snider
        - David
        - Elizabeth
        - Ester
        - Samuel
        - Susanna
        - Ann
        - Solomon
        - Salome
        - Jacob
        - Benjamin
        - Daniel 1833-1891 wife Margaret Smith
          - Charles
          - James
          - August
          - Valentine 1864-1927 wife Eliz. Robertson
            - Lola
            - Jesse H. 1889- w. Grace Schepman
              - Lothair 1913 w. Grace Frazier
              - Howard A. 1917- w. Vivian Shock
                - Suzanne 1942
            - Ethel
            - Grace
            - Russell
            - Loring
            - Horace
            - Florence
            - Ronald
          - Samuel
          - Elnora
          - Lewis
    - Conrad 1741??-1815
  - Valentine Eyler 1722-1792 Wife Susanna
    - Jacob
    - John
    - Magdalena
    - Frederick
    - Christina
    - Valentine wife Molly Arndt
    - Katrina
    - Mary

**Spell name Oyler now.

Notes. 1. The family in medieval times originated in Basel, Switzerland, and many are still there.

2. The name was spelled EULER, or Von Euler. The Deutscher-Euler House is in Basel.

3. Members of the family went down the Rhine prior to 1594 to Zweibrücken, Palatinate.

4. They scattered over Germany and the accepted German spelling became EILER. (We understand EULER means worker in Pottery; Eiler, one who hurries at his work)

5. In 1729 Conrad Eiler and family came to Pennsylvania on the Ship Allen, with 59 Palatine families who under Alex. Mack espoused the Dunkard (German Baptist) faith.

6. In 1738 Conrad Eyler and sons Jacob and Valentine took out warrants for 200 acres each of land at Diggs Choice (Brothers Agreement) in Lancaster Co., Now York Co. Penn. but in land claimed by Maryland until time of the Mason-Dixon agreement.

7. In 1765 Jacob Eyler sold his land to Valentime and moved down the road deeper into Md. on the road to Hagerstown or Frederick, Frederick Co., Maryland.

8. Valentine sold his land in 1776 and moved up tp Arendstville, north of Gettysburgh. Here he died in 1792 and was buried with his father Conrad at that place.

9. OUR PROBLEM: To see if our established Valentine Eiler (1745-1813) is a son of Jacob Eyler of the land grant. We think he had a brother Conrad, as that name shows up in family papers. Dr. J.S. Eilar has 1400 descendants of our Samuel line plotted.

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Room 2. Pythian Castle Bld.,
Frederick, Maryland.
August 2, 1941

Mr. J. H. Eilar,
New Castle, Indiana.

Dear Mr. Eilar:

Your letter of July 28th would have been answered at once, but I wished to look over the records a little more before doing so. To date I have found the will of Conrad Iler (made in 1815, proven 1817 in which are mentioned his children Conrad, John, Jacob, Peter, Barbara Wetsel, Catherine Fogle, and Margaret; Wife Barbara Iler, son-in-laws John Wetsel, and Mathias Fogle; also a son Henry was to receive certain bequests upon condition that he marry and settle down, also his grand-children; tract of land called "Iler Character". Deeds of Conrad Eiler dated 1779 to 1796; deeds of Valentine Eiler 1771 to 1788. These deeds give Susanna as the wife of Valentine Eiler in 1779; Magdalena as wife in 1784; Mary in 1788. The first of these is on a deed conveying a tract, a part of "Cooper's Alley" from Valentine to Conrad. Who "Cooper's Alley" originally belonged to I do not know; haven't run it down. This tract may have been a grant to the Cooper mentioned in your notes. Two of these deeds were for tracts of ground in and around the town of Liberty, Frederick County. What else may be here I do not know. There is a mass of old paper stored up in the attic of the Court House and when the weather is cooler I intend some evening to go through them, but not now. I forgot to say that I found that Conrad Iler voted in the Presidential election of 1796 in Frederick County; that Peter Eiler (of Conrad) was appointed guardian for "Balser Fox, representative of Balser Fox, late of Frederick County, deceased", and that Conrad Eiler bought of the heirs of Mathias Fox, deceased, a certain tract of land called "Andrews Delight", containing 86 acres. Among the heirs was Balser Fox son of Mathias; this was in 1794; the guardianship in 1812.

I do not know if this will help you, but if you think this and any other data

Mr. J. H. Eilar:

I may find will aid you I'll be glad to undertake this work for you. I have really more than I can do, and here is the reason: Ridgely family history, Naile family, Ferree family, Whipp family, history of old St.Johns Church in Frederick, and the history of the the old William Beatty home in this county and the Beatty line. Do you think I'll have any time for a vacation this Summer? Besides all this I have several families I am finishing; one of which will take me out of town this coming week. So if I hear from you by the last of this coming week or the first of next it will give me time enough to lay your work out; that is provided you think I can help you, and I'll assure you that when I am through you will have all the Eiler data here, deeds, wills (if I can find others) etc. I may say that there is a will of a Frederick Eyler, Sr., executors John and Adam Eyler; and John Eiler, executor Josiah Eiler, dated 1821 and 1877 respectively. Are these to late for any of your line? Want them and any others of corresponding dates?

Have checked all marriages of the children of Conrad of 1815, and of his sons-in-law.

Hoping that this may be of some benefit to you in your search I am,

Very cordially,

E. Ralston Goldsborough C.E.

ERG:LS

E. Ralston Goldsborough, C.E.

P.S.

Regarding the birthplace of Valentine Eyler: I am inclined to believe that he was born in this country, and not in Germany, and for this reason: his father having come to America, certainly did not return to Germany; like all from the Palatinate they stayed here. Again the most logical stopping place coming from Pennsylvania between 1738 and 1760 would have been the old German settlement of Monocacy which was in existence as early as 1734 and lasted until after the French and Indian War, it is mentioned by Washington in 1763. This I believe for some reason I cannot explain was the stopping place of Jacob Eyler when he moved from Diggs Choice. It is only a guess and I may be wrong, but maybe the records of the old Dutch Reformed and Lutheran church might show something. What do you think?

E.R.G.

Room 2. Pythian Castle Bld.,
Frederick, Maryland.
August 9, 1941.

Mr. J. H. Eilar,
New Castle, Indiana.

Dear Mr. Eilar:

Have just received your letter with inclosed $5.00 bill. Thank you. Although there are three deeds of Valentine Eiler giving the names of apparently three different wives, I am inclined to believe that the Valentine Eiler (1779) whose wife was Susanna is the one you want, and that the others are of other lines.

I'll try to get some of the data I already have collected typed tomorrow and send it in and later in the week I'll send you more. I have just taken on another client from North Carolina; he came up here yesterday, although I did not expect him, and I have promised to give him several days beginning Tuesday (August 12th.), on Monday I have some work to do for a mining engineer-- another one of those "hurry-up" jobs. Then there ~~is~~ are several lots of unfinished work to be gotten out, and I expect one or two more new ones before the week is over, and to top it all off it is ungodly hot here; we are passing through another drought just like the 1930 dry spell. All this does not add to your peace of mind, but we have to take it; you know some one once said-- think it was Mark Twain — the~~y~~ we talk a lot about the weather but no one does anything about it.

Am writing this in a hurry — want the afternoon for myself if possible; so please excuse mistakes. I'll do my best for you. Glad to hear any time.

Very cordially,

C. Ralston Goldsborough

11846
Augustus Valentine Eilar b. near Hagerstown, Indiana
(Gus) Sept. 29, 1864
11847 d. near birth place Nov. 1, 1927,
Elizabeth Jane Robertson Eilar
(Pet) b. near Hagerstown, Ind., Sept. 20, 1870
Above married Dec. 13, 1885 Died: June 29, 1944
Issue:

11848 Lola Agnes Eilar b. Mar. 1, 1887
d. Mar. 30, 1910

11861 Jesse Howard Eilar b. Feb. 6, 1889 in New Castle, Indiana

11870 Ethel Evelyn Eilar b. Sept. 23, 1891
d. in infancy
11880 Russell Edgar Eilar b. Dec. 28, 1894; d. May
11871 Grace Marie Eilar b. Oct. 13, 1892
d. Apr. 1925

11893 Loring Augustus Eilar
b. July 8, 1897

11897 Horace Addison Eilar
b. Mar. 10, 1901

11898 Florence Eilar Wissler
b. Feb. 22, 1905
d. Nov. 27, 1945

11905 Ronald Harvey Eilar
b. April 4, 1909

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Occupation: Salesman
"Gus" Eilar, as he was known throughout Indiana in his time, stood six feet three in height and weighed 260 pounds.

He started out as a teacher and after six years 'graduated' into business. He bought a drug store in New Castle, Indiana and engaged in real estate selling. He invented what was known as "Eilar's Standard Business Guide Chart" which he sold in most of the schools of the state in the '90s. Sales amounted to close to a half million dollars. He finished his career as advertising manager for the New Castle Times. He was a brilliant conversationalist and when dressed in silk top hat, Prince Albert coat, striped trousers, and wearing his diamond tie pin and lodge emblem ring was considered the most striking man in New Castle in his day.

His size may have come in part from his father, Daniel, who stood well above six feet and weighed more than 200 pounds.

11911 Benjamin William Eilar
(Bill)

b. Nov. 29, 1870 near Hagerstown, Indiana
d. Feb. 2, 1930, at New Castle, Indiana

Occupation: Bridge Builder
Druggist

Army Experience:

Enrolled in Company G, 161st Infantry Regiment, Spanish-American War Indiana Volunteers
Appointed Corporal and later Sergeant
Color Bearer for his regiment and was the tallest man in his regiment, standing six feet six inches in height, weight 280 pounds.
Mustered out April 30, 1899.

11912 Lobelle Clark Eilar, wife of above, married Nov. 8, 1922

Her occupation: Nurse

Children of above:

11913 Vergie Eilar Gabbard

b. Oct. 10, 192~~4~~3 in New Castle, Indiana

11914 Married Roy Gabbard Date Nov. 6, 1942

Children of above:

11915	Connie Viola	August 10, 1944
6	Fred William	November 4, 1947
7	Jennie Ellen	September 27, 1950
8	Samuel Ray	December 2, 1952

11919 Benjamin William Eilar, Jr.

B. July 20, 1927, in New Castle, Indiana

Occupation: ~~Shoe Salesman~~ Prudential Representative
(Insurance Salesman)

11920 Married:
Name: Joyce Nadine Corbin Eilar
Date: September 22, 1946

Children of above:

11921	Cheryl Suzanne Eilar	Dec. 9, 1948
11922	David Allen Eilar	May 7, 1953

When in his prime, 'Bill' was a striking figure, because of his height and build and good features. He learned much about drugs and prescriptions when in Eilar's Drug Store in New Castle in the gay '90's. He compounded certain beauty aids and medicines from recipes handed down from his mother's brother, Dr. Dan Smith.

GROSSE ILE
BIRTH PLACE OF SAMUEL EILER

The island of Grosse Ile is a very important point in the [illegible] of our family and it's history very inyeresting. It was [illegible] land that Valentine Eiler and family, with many other families from Pennsylvania and Maryland migrated soon after the close of the war of the Revolution. It was here that Jacob was first in business and [illegible] an attempt to establish the claim of the Macomus for ownership. It was here that Samuel, the youngest son and last child of Valentine and Susanna was born.

Grosse Ile is an island, situated in the Detroit River, south of the city of Detroit Michigan, and about 200 yards off the mainland opposite the city of Trenton. It's beautiful homes and lawns are in great contrast to the conditions existing at the time of Valentine's [illegible]. At that time it was a thickly wooded jungle, inhabited by Indians and very few white settlers.

The beautifully wooded island, about nine miles in length and averageing a little over a mile in width; consisting of approximately 6,400 acres, rises well above the level of the river and has a population of over 7,000 people. On the south and west side is a large naval air instalation, one street is zoned for business to furnish the people with some of the neccesities in living in a rather [illegible] community. The large homes with their big lawns and trees, and [illegible] invigerating air make this a very delightful place to live and [illegible]. There are churches of several denominations on the island as well as schools for the education of their children, and they have their own Township government.

It was of course, originally a posession of the Indians. The [illegible] of Indians holding possession was the Potawatomies, and they [illegible] claim to the island until 1776. With the coming of Cadillac in [illegible] the French laid claim to it, and retained this claim until it was surrendered to the British in 1760. Following the Revolutionary war [illegible] became the property of the United States under both the Treaties of Paris in 17[illegible] and Jay's treaty of 1794. The Potawatomie Indians [illegible] the island, Kitche-minishen, meaning Grand Island, in the [illegible] the Detroit river.

On July 6 1776 a deed for the island was granted by the [illegible] of the Potawatomie Indians to Alexander and William [illegible]

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[illegible] influential [illegible] in the Detroit [illegible] of goods and provisions for the fur traders as well [illegible] They [illegible] to [illegible] the community and [illegible] The treaty and deed conveying Grosse Ile and the adjacent islands to the Macombs was signed under a large tree known as the Council Tree for it was here that many of the [illegible] of the Indians and white men were made. In 1906 a [illegible] and placed near the stump of the tree with this inscription.

> "This stone marks the location of the treaty tree and commemorates the conveyance by treaty of Grosse Ile (known to the Indians as [illegible]) and the adjacent islands to William and Alexander Macomb by the Potawatomie Indians. The treaty was signed by eighteen of the chiefs of the Potawatomie nation of Indians.
>
> "The events of the past shape the pathway of the future."
>
> Erected by the Woman's Improvement Association of Grosse Ile

1906. The deed is recorded in the register of Detroit, No.2 Vol [illegible]

[redacted]

About 1786 William Macomb became the sole owner, and in 17[illegible] the first settlement began. The war of the American Revolution [illegible] ended many of the people who because of their religious belief [illegible] not bear arms, as well as those who had remained loyal to England [illegible] seeking new homes. Encouragement for these people to settle in [illegible] published in Pennsylvania and Maryland caused many of these people to start migrating to that country. Grosse Ile, still under British control, and situated as it was soon became a refuge for these people. From here they would push forward, settleing on other islands in the river and crossing over to the eastern shores in to Canada.

When Macomb started to settle the island he divided it into [illegible] leasing [illegible] to tenants who built houses and cleared the land for farming. He died April 16 1796 leaving a will giving Grosse Ile with other realestate to his sons John [redacted] William and David. [illegible] of the New Settlement on the north shore of Lake Erie [illegible] the [illegible] soldiers and loyalist, caused an exodus of the people from the island in 179[illegible] In a report on the island, in 180[illegible] the [illegible] agent at Detroit said " This island is now [illegible] by ten families who pay an annual rent to the estate of William Macomb

[illegible] Detroit [illegible] 17[illegible] [illegible] and agreements between the settlers and the Indians were not recognized and title to the land would not be granted unless those claiming the land could show proof of tenancy and improvement prior to July 11, 1796. Hearing on land claims in the Detroit area were held from 1805 to 1821. Solomon Sibley, an attorney in Detroit, was employed by the Macomb estate as their agent to represent them in their claim to Grosse Ile.

In the 1808 hearings before the commission, Jacob Eiler was one of the [illegible] witnesses for the estate. He testified on [illegible] "that many years previous to the 1st of July 1796 the late William Macomb was in possession, and tenanted the premises." He testified that he was a tenant, had lived on some of the land and paid rent to Mr. [illegible] the agent for the Macombs.

Shortly after testifying Jacob moved from Grosse Ile to Lot No. [illegible], near Colchester, Essex Co. Ontario. Five of his children were born on the Island and his father, Valentine Eiler, lived on the Island for some time as his son Samuel was born there [illegible] 17, 17[illegible].

The following, taken from "Unveiling of Treaty Tablet at Grosse Ile" 1906, p. 25, is a list of early settlers on the [illegible] Ile [illegible]. "It is probably not complete, and it extends only to the year 1808."

Thomas Williams
William Serret
Justice Allen
Jesse Hicks
Edward McCarty
James Anderson
Joseph Bariau
John Johnson
Robert Gill
Jacob Stoffer

Jacob Eiler
Elias Horn
John Jackson
Henry Hoffman
Adna Heacock
James Crittenden
Charles Monger
James Mitchell
Michael Myers
Solomon McCulloch

* See Jacob Eiler's testimony in chapter on Jacob Eiler

S A M U E L   E I L E R

SAMUEL EILER, the youngest son of Valentine and Susanna Eiler, was born on Grosse Ile, March 17, 1791.

[illegible] record appears in a family bible which is now in the possession of Anna [illegible] (Mrs. Emanuel Bartley) living near [illegible] Ind. [illegible] descendant of Samuel and Susanna by the daughter Ann, Michael [illegible] line. " Samuel Eiler was born on Grozeal Island, Colchester [illegible] Essex County, Upper Canada." Apparently in making this record the writer spelled the name as it was pronounced to him and knowing it was an island added the word island. Considerable time and research was required to locate this birth place.

When a boy of five or six years of age he came with his parents to Dayton, then Hamilton County, Ohio. The first record of him in this community is a old receipt showing that he paid an account of by cards for his father January 30, 1808.

In the winter of 1811 he went back to Canada and on January 29, 1811 married Susanna Snider, a sister of his brother Jacob's wife Elizabeth. They were married by R Richardson Esq., R. Richardson Esq. was a Justice of the Peace in Amherstburg, Essex Co. Ontario, which is a short distance from the homeplace of John Snider. Susanna was the daughter of John and Elizabeth Snider early settlers on Grosse Ile and in Essex Co. Ontario. A short sketch of John Snider is given in this history.

Soon after their marriage they went back to Dayton and the following incident which happened on their trip was told by their son Jacob.

" Father and mother removing from Canada to Ohio, journeyed on two pack ponies, and carried with them all their worldly possessions. During their trip they were overtaken by a mail-carrier an old Frenchman, who had to cross a creek. He undertook to swim over with a heavy overcoat on and the horse swam out and left him. He passed the father about a mile below on some driftwood. Father Eiler went back to two Indian huts, and, an expert talker in both the French and Indian tongues, induced them to go to the rescue. He walked back fifteen miles and found his wife all alone, a panther right above her. Father killed the fierce animal. The mother carried the money, and had $ 600.00 in her pocket at the time. The night was one never to be forgotten and always remembered [illegible]

In October of 1811 both Samuel and Susanna became members of the German Baptist Church, the church of their parents, and continued their membership throughout their life.

The next record of him is the receipt of Jan. 2, 1812, which is also shown. In the war of 1812 he was drafted, but hired a substitute. However he searved as a teamster during the entire [illegible]

After his father's death Samuel continued to live on the farm, taking care of the work and providing for his mother. Susanna sold the farm in 1819 and apparently they moved to Dayton, or perhaps nearer to Dayton as the 1820 census shows, Samuel Oyler(Eiler) Montgomery Co. Dayton Township, with four children, two male and two female, and one female over 45 years of age. David, Samuel, Elizabeth and Esther, children of Samuel, were born before 1820 and the mother Susanna, was 73 at that time.

In 1822, records at Dayton, and the receipt shown in this history show he paid the taxes on the land his mother Susanna had sold to Adam Miller in 1819. This, as explained in the preceding chapter was evidently to protect the mortgage held by Susanna.

The following from records in the Court House at Dayton

Deed Volume K, page 22

D.C.Cooper Estate
to
Samuel Eiler

Received May 19, 1825
Recorded June 22, 1825

A photo copy of this deed is shown on the next page.

James Pottle who married a sister to Samuel, Catheren, bought Out Lot No. 48 from D.C.Cooper and was given a Title bond, Nov. [illegible] Cooper died before a deed was executed. Samuel had obtained an assignment from James Pottle for this lot and the deed was finally given to Samuel, by the executors of the Cooper estate May 19.1825.

Deed Volume M^1, page 213

Samuel Eiler, of the County of Wayne, and the State of Indiana and Susanna his wife.
to
William Patterson

This deed shows that Samuel and Susanna sold Out Lot No. 48 to Patterson July 1, 1829. It was acknowledged and signed in Wayne County, Indiana.

At the time Samuel bought this lot, for $ 290.00, it consisted of three and seventy five hundredths acres and was east and south of the town of Dayton. To day it is near the center of town and the approximate boundries are the streets of Richard, Clay, Jones and Brown. The location is shown on the map in the chapter on [illegible] Eiler

SAMUEL BILER IN INDIANA

[illegible] history in Indiana [illegible] of the [illegible] [illegible] as one writer states, " The German land seeker [illegible] were opened ". Samuel [illegible] his love for the soil, the joy and [illegible] of pioneering in a virgin forest compelled him to leave [illegible] frontier.

When the United States Government opened the land on [illegible] in Indiana, Samuel as well as many other German people from [illegible] was there to make his purchase. The name of the small community Nettle Creek was changed to Hagerstown June 20 1836.

In the history of Wayne County the following families who [illegible] into our family relatation are listed, Samuel Rebrogle, David [illegible] Jacob Crull, John Crull, Henry Crull, Abraham Rebrogle, [illegible] Hardman, Jonas Hoover. David Hardman is listed as a German [illegible] minister. In the list of men " returned and Fined" in the story on Valentine Biler, a George Hardman and Daniel Hardman are [illegible]. It could well be that David Hardman was a son of one of these men. The history, also states, " David Hoover came from Pipe Creek Maryland." This community was only a few miles from where Valentine Biler lived and was a center of German Baptist(Brethren) [illegible] in this state. The early settlers of Wayne Co. came from Ohio, Pennsylvania, Maryland, New Jersey, and some from Kentucky and the Carolinas. They were predominately German Baptist and Quakers. Daniel Burket, who's son Nathaniel married a daughter of Samuel [illegible] built the first gristmill on Nettle Creek. The Crulls, [illegible] Witters and Locks are all listed as early settlers in Montgomery Co. Ohio. Part of the Crull farm in Wayne Co. is now the northern section of Hagerstown.

Jesse Bilar tells this story. " When Samuel bid his last [illegible] for the tract of land he wanted, he threw his hat in the air [illegible] caused such a commotion that his bid was accepted."

The certificate of purchase for Samuel's 150 acres of [illegible] dated October 20, 1822. The John Crull certificate of [illegible] same date and I am sure many of the others mentioned above [illegible] same day. The Patent deeds were signed by President [illegible] [illegible] 1825. A copy of the deed to Samuel follows.

[illegible] 22nd 1823

The United States of America To all to whom these presents shall come Greeting Whereas Samuel Siler of Montgomery County has deposited in the General land Office of the United States a certificate of the register of the land office at Crawfordsville of Indiana whereby it appears that full payment has been made by the said Samuel Siler according to the provisions of the act of Congress of the 24th of April 1820 entitled An act Making further provision for the sale of the Public lands for The west half of the South east quarter of Section Twenty one in Township [illegible] of Range twelve in the district of Crawfordsville and State of Indiana containing eighty acres according to the official plat of the survey of the said lands returned to the General Land Office by the surveyor General which said tract has been purchased by the said Samuel Siler Now know ye that the United States of America in consideration of the premises and in conformity with the several acts of congress in such case made and provided have given and granted and by these presents do give and grant unto the said Samuel Siler and to his heirs the said tract above described To have and to hold the same together with all the rights privileges immunities and appurtenances of whatsoever nature thereunto belonging unto the said Samuel Siler and to his heirs and assigns forever.

In testimony whereof I James Monroe President of the United States of America have caused these letters to be made Patent and the seal of the General land Office to be hereunto affixed

Given under my hand at the City of Washington the twenty second day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty three and of the Independence of the United States the forty eighth

By the President James Monroe
George Graham Commissioner
of the General Land Office

Recorded [illegible] Aug 1828
J. Wheeler Rec

[illegible]

[illegible] September [illegible], 18[illegible], Samuel moved upon [illegible] to the land on Nettle Creek in Wayne Co. Indiana, bringing with him his wife and mother and five children: David, Samuel Jr., Elizabeth, Susanna and Esther.

The new homeplace was a virgin forest with a small stream, Nettle Creek, running through it; at the base of a small knoll was a spring with an Indian trail running close by. Samuel built his first home, a log cabin, of timber cut from the land and in this cabin six other children were born: Nancy Ann; Solomon; Salome; Jacob, Benjamin; and Daniel. The log cabin served as a residence for about 20 years. When he was financially able, to accomodate his large family, he built a large two story brick house. This house, built about 1843 was built of brick made from clay on the farm and fired in a kiln close to where the house was being built. The house still stands (1965) and is occupied by the owner of the farm. A large bank barn also built by Samuel is till in use.

The log cabin remained standing for many years and my mother Amanda(Newby) Eilar recalled that they called this the weening [illegible]. Evidently several of the children lived in the cabin for a short time after their marriage, or until they were able to secure a home for themselves.

I visited the Eiler homestead in 1957. It is located about one and a half miles west and south of Hagerstown in a rich farming community. Mrs. Catherin Stout, a very gracious woman in her early seventies at that time, was living in the house and allowed me to look through it, and the outbuildings. She probably was the owner as records later revealed the estate of Samuel was sold to John Milton Stout.

The custom in early days was to cure the meat in what was known as the " smoke house." Samuel s smoke house was located just a few feet back of the house and was still standing in good condition. Mrs. Stout allowed me to remove one of the wrought iron hooks from the wall, a hook that my great grandfather had hung many shoulders and hams on when curing the meat for his family.

Samuel built his brick house on a high plot of ground near the spring on the south east corner of the farm. It faces the east and is about 175 yards away from the present road and from the front porch you have the view of the church and the small stream.

On May [illegible], 1849, for the consideration of $ 5.00 he and Susanna sold one and three quarters acres of their land to the Trustees in Trust for the German Baptist Church. On this plot of ground a Brick church was built, the brick being made in the same manner as the brick in Samuel's house.

At the 1908 Annual Conference, in Des Moines, Iowa, which [illegible] the two hundreth anniversary of the Brethren Church, [illegible] Royer, addressing the conference said. " A few years later, [illegible] Nettle Creek Church in Wayne County (Indiana) was organized. here in 1845, within a mile of Hagerstown now stands, the first meeting house in the state, a large brick structure, was erected, and here in 1864 the annual meeting was held."

The dates indicate that the church was built on Samuel's land in 1845 and in 1849 he accepted a token payment of $ 5.00 so that it would become church property.

This being the first Brethren Church built in Indiana on his land must have been a great satisfaction to this christian man. He must have rejoiced in knowing that he had played such a part in spreading the gospel and advancing the cause of his church. He never was ordained a minister but was an Elder and Deacon of the church for many years. "His son, Samuel Jr. was a minister of this first church." (Memoirs of Wayne County, Vol. 1. page 477).

May 27, 1856, Samuel sold another acre of land to the church, this adjoining the previous one and three quarters acres, with the stipulation that it was to be used as " a burring ground for the members of the German Baptist Church."

June 17, 1874 another tract of land was sold to the church, which extended the boundries of the cemetery. This transaction took place a year before Samuel's death but was not recorded until [illegible] after the death of both Samuel and Susanna.

The brick church, a sturdy well constructed building stands near the road and almost directly in fron of Samuel's house. It is now known as, " The Nettle Creek Church of the Brethren. Church services and other functions are regularly held there and it is a focal religious center for the community.

The cemetery extends back from the church on a genhal slope towards the house and is known as " The Brick Cemetery", because of the church. Brick churches in out lieing farm areas in those days was very unusual and this was a mark of distinction. Originally set aside for the burial of the members of the church it was

[illegible] community. [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] the church was built on the land set aside for the cemetery Samuel [illegible] this spot in the woods [illegible] as a burial ground for himself and family. In [illegible], only [illegible] after he had settled there and infant son, Solomon, was buried on the brow of the hill near the house. When land was set aside for the cemetery Samuel saw to it that Solomon's grave was within [illegible] boundary. The marker still stands and it is know that he was the first person buried there.

Uncle Samuel must have had a feeling of pride and joy [illegible] that by his efforts he had contributed such a big part in helping to build a community in the deep forest of a new frontier. In so doing he not only contributed to the religious wellfare of the community but erected a fiting monument to himself, a truly christian man.

He was a stern and very strict man, jovial at times and very generous. To offset his sterness he was a most cordial person and the people, especially the children, of the community respected and admired him. Many are the stories of him and his horse and two-wheeled buggy or wagon in which he always traveled. His buggy is now in the Teeter's collection at Hagerstown.

When I visited the old Eiler homestead in 1957 I talked with Mrs. Catherin Stout who was living there at the time. Mrs. Stout was a small girl when Samuel was living and she recalled talking and being with him many times. She said, " Mr. Eiler, Uncle Sammy we all called him when I was a child, was about six feet tall. He had a round ruddy face, long flowing white hair and beard, didn't shave but croped his upper lip. I always thought of him as being Santa Claus. He always took care of the people when they came to church and was very generous in helping the needy. He was gruff in manner but we children all loved him. He had a cart with a chair in it in which he alway rode, and I remember seeing him driving down the road many times." She talked of the spring in front of the house where " Uncle Sammy always got his water " and of the little stream which ran from the spring between the house and the road, called Little Bear Creek. She said an old Indian path ran along the creek and Samuel built his house near this. She also recalled that [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] Hiler of the [illegible] line [illegible] of the [illegible] personality of grandfather Hiler [illegible] the big [illegible] a season of [illegible] reunions for the [illegible]."

[illegible] William Hiler, also of the Daniel line, remarked " Grandfather Hiler was a large man, weighing about 250 pounds. He had a fair complexion, wore a full beard and long hair. He was [illegible] far and near for his generosity and would drive in his old [illegible] high wheeled wagon and leave meat, flour and other provisions at the door of needy widows and orphans, driving away quickly before they could embarrass him with their thanks."

Artie Ross(Blue) Bybee of Mentone Ind., a great grand daughter of Samuel told me, " I remember great grandfather and how he entertained we children with his German songs the evening before he died, staying up quite late. He was jovial all evening and died about five o'clock the next morning."

This story was also told me. David the oldest son [illegible] and wanted to play a fiddle(Violin). Since musical instruments were frowned upon by the Dunkard people at that time, especially in the church, Samuel forbade him to play the instrument. David's desire caused him to buy a violin which he hid in the barn and sometimes in the house, playing it when his father was away or out of hearing distance. One of David's hiding places was in the attic of the house. Samuel decided to close the opening into the attic and in doing so enclosed David's fiddle. David's remark, so I was told, was, "The old man is going to die in a house with a fiddle in it." This however did not happen as Samuel died away from home.

Samuel Hiler was devoted to his church. The " History of the Church of the Brethren" by Otho Winger states, " He was one of the early Deacons in the church. His father Valentine was a [illegible] in Colonial America. Nettle Creek Church was built on his land. His home was a regular stopping place for many of the Brethren while passing through. His home was the chief private lodging place for many of the Brethren attending the Annual Meeting held at Nettle Creek in [illegible]."

He was a very frugal man, leaving an estate of [illegible] for the [illegible]. [illegible] of the old [illegible] for his [illegible] and [illegible]. He was interested in community [illegible]

progressive [illegible] citizen, a respected and well liked citizen and [illegible] man of means.

[illegible] died at the home of his grand daughter [illegible] in [illegible] Township, [illegible] Co. Indiana, June 22 18[illegible] [illegible] years [illegible] and 27 days. He died on a trip, as he was wont to say when leaving Hagerstown, " to pay my last visit to my children and relatives in Michigan and [illegible] counties." He is buried in the Brick Cemetery, near Hagerstown, on the land which he [illegible] [illegible] his church and home, all monuments to this good man.

SUSANNA (SNIDER) EILER

Susanna (Snider) Eiler, wife of Samuel Eiler was born in Colchester Township, Essex County, Ontario Canada, on her father's farm, Lot No. 72, near the town of Colchester, February 19, 1791.

The daughter of John and Elizabeth Snider, early settlers of Gosfield and Essex Co. Ontario she lived in Canada until the time of her marriage. The following is from the biographical sketch of her son Jacob.

" The maternal grandparents were John and Elizabeth Snider whose people were nearly all farmers. John Snider was a skillful mechanic, a blacksmith, a silversmith, a gunsmith and at times a bellsmith, manufacturing little bells with which Indians adorned their leggins."

The mother of eleven children, ten of whom lived and had families she lived to reach the age of 84 years, and 17 days. She died at her home near Hagerstown Ind. March 8, 1875 and is buried beside her husband in the Brick Cemetery.

Samuel did not make a will and died inestate. David [illegible] was appointed administrator

In the settle ment of the estate it shows that Esther [illegible] was granted $ 1,000 00"for work and labor from June 12, 1855 to June 12, 1875 at the rate of $ 50.00 per year, said work and labor was performed at the request of Samuel Eiler, deceased."

It was hoped that a picture of Samuel might be included in this work but because of his disbelief in such things and his feeling against any outward display and publicity no known photo of him exists

Children of Samuel and Susanna [illegible]

David	born	June	15	1813,	died	May	[illegible]	[illegible]
Elizabeth	born	Aug	9	1815,	died	April	[illegible]	[illegible]
Esther	born	May	8	1817,	died	Sept.	[illegible]	1908
Samuel Jr	born	March	2	1819,	died	Dec	5	1905
Susanna	born	May	1	1821,	died	April	27	[illegible]
Nancy Ann	born	Sept	3	1823,	died	March	[illegible]	[illegible]
Solomon	born			1825.	died			[illegible]
Salome	born	Dec	5	1826,	died	Nov	4	[illegible]
Jacob	born	Feb	13	1829,	died	Jan	17	1905
Benjamin	born	March	16	1831,	died	April	5	1879
Daniel	born	Oct	5	1834,	died	Aug	17	[illegible]

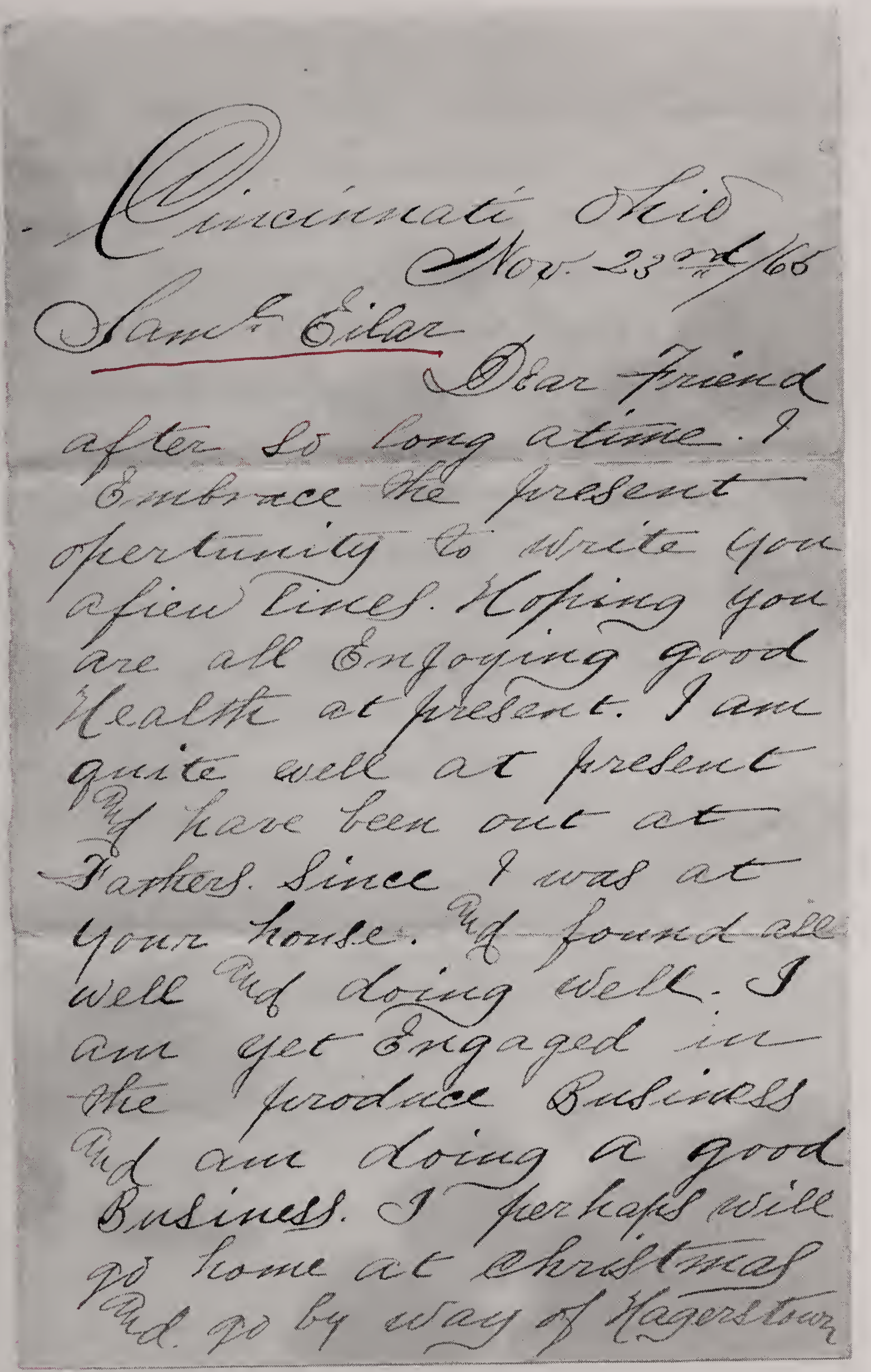
Esther, daughter of Samuel and Susanna never married, and died near Cicero Indiana and is buried in the Brethren cemetery at Arcadia Indiana It was she who kept all the old letters and receipt after her father's death which have been so valuable in writing this history.

Death of Samuel Eller.

On last Saturday evening the citizens of Hagerstown and vicinity were startled by the sudden announcement by telegraph of the death of Samuel Eller, who left his home, a short distance west of Hagerstown, on the 21st of May, as he then said, for the last time, to visit his children in Hamilton and Kosciusko counties. During his visit he retained his usual health until within a few hours of his death, which took place at the home of one of his grandchildren, in Kosciusko county on Saturday morning, June 1st, at 5 o'clock, in the presence of his son, Elder Samuel Eller and others. As soon as possible the necessary arrangements were made to bring his remains back to the old homestead for interment, where they arrived on last Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The funeral took place on Monday at 10 o'clock A. M. The services were conducted in accordance with the order of the German Baptist church in the presence of a very large audience of sympathizing neighbors and friends.

Perhaps a brief sketch of the life of this truly christian man may not be without interest to at least some of the readers of the Visitor. Samuel Eller was born in Canada West, on the 17th of March, 1795 and consequently was 84 years, 2 months and 15 days old when he died. He was married to Susannah Snider on the 29th of January, 1811, and in October following they both became members of the German Baptist church, which membership they both retained without interruption until death, being a period of over sixty years. His wife's death preceded his only a few months. In the year [illegible] he moved with his family to [illegible] one mile west of Hagerstown which was at that time an entire wilderness. His privations in early life were considerable, his deeds of charity were many. He was one of the few who would not wait for the needy to call on him but made it a duty to seek after them in order to relieve them. In his manners he was somewhat eccentric. Some of his expressions would at times grate harshly on the ears of those not intimately acquainted with him, but that devoted christian heart of his soon threw the seemingly rough exterior and endeared him with every one with whom he became acquainted. He was not only a favorite with the old and middle aged, but he was also a great favorite with all the children who became acquainted with uncle Sammy Eller.

His plain and unassuming manners as well as his church relationship, has caused some to wonder why he was buried in a coffin so expensive and fashionable. This is easily explained by the fact that his remains could be brought in none other but an air tight coffin, and no other cheaper or plainer one could be procured. This, we hope, will be satisfactory to all who felt any concern



Cincinnati Ohio
Nov. 23rd/66

402 Saml. Eilar

Dear Friend

after so long atime. I Embrace the present opertunity to write you afiew lines. Hoping you are all Enjoying good Health at present. I am quite well at present and have been out at Fathers. Since I was at your house. and found all well and doing well. I am yet Engaged in the produce Business and am doing a good Business. I perhaps will go home at Christmas and go by way of Hagerstown

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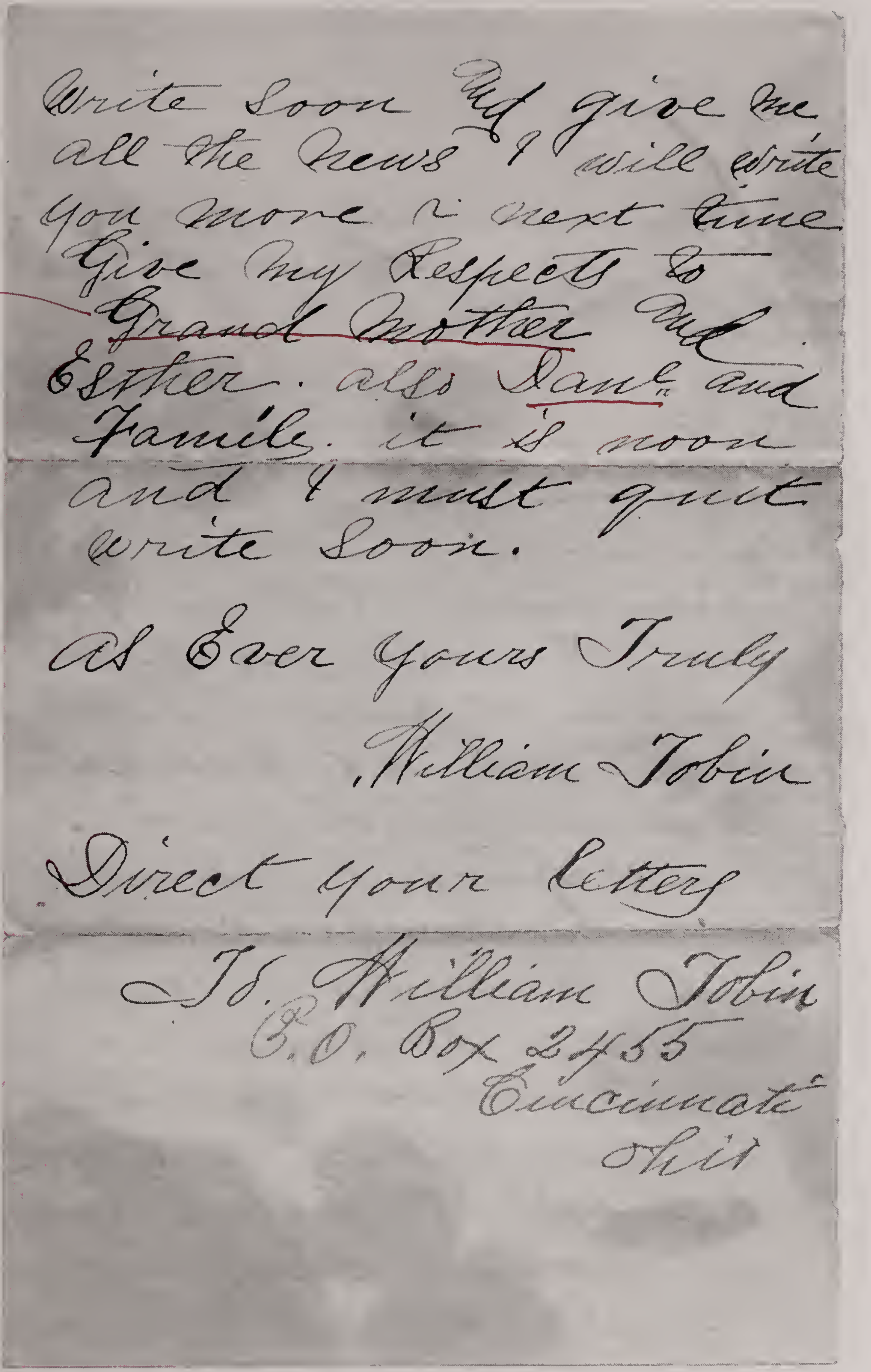

Write Soon and give me
all the News I will write
you more i next time
401? Give my Respects to
Grand Mother and
10866 Esther. also Danl and 11843
Family. it is noon
and I must quit
write Soon.

As Ever yours Truly

William Tobin ?

Direct your letters

To William Tobin
P.O. Box 2455
Cincinnati
Ohio

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Return

October 13, 1941

11893
Mr. Loring A. Eilar
Spiceland
Indiana

Dear Mr. Eilar:

Thank you for your more than interesting letter about the tribe Ey-i-etc.-ler! I am more than glad to have this information and am certainly happy to learn that some of the clan have delved into the past sufficiently deep to discover a few matters that pertain to us. I am familiar with the branch of the family which settled in the Maryland-Pennsylvania Valley, from which stock I come, and those who migrated westward as faras Illinois.

In my experience I have found various spellings of the name, but I believe that yours is the first EILAR that has crossed my vision. Naturally, I am pleased to welcome you into my acquaintance with the hope that we shall see each other before too many moons pass. It happens that I shall be in Indianapolis during the Christmas holidays for a meeting of the Modern Language Association of America. I do not know how far you live from the convention city, but I hope that it is not too far for us to get together. I am no family research fiend, but I do like to know all about us that I can conveniently and comfortably learn. You seem to have suggested a way.

32760
My uncle, Edgar P. Eyler, Hagerstown, Maryland, son~~s~~ of Henry Eyler, Funkstown, Maryland, owns, or has access to, a book about the Eylers of that section of the country, many of whom came from Eyler Valley, Pennsylvania, the home of one Peter Eyler about whom all one native could say was that he was honest. In my opinion this is a big send-off.

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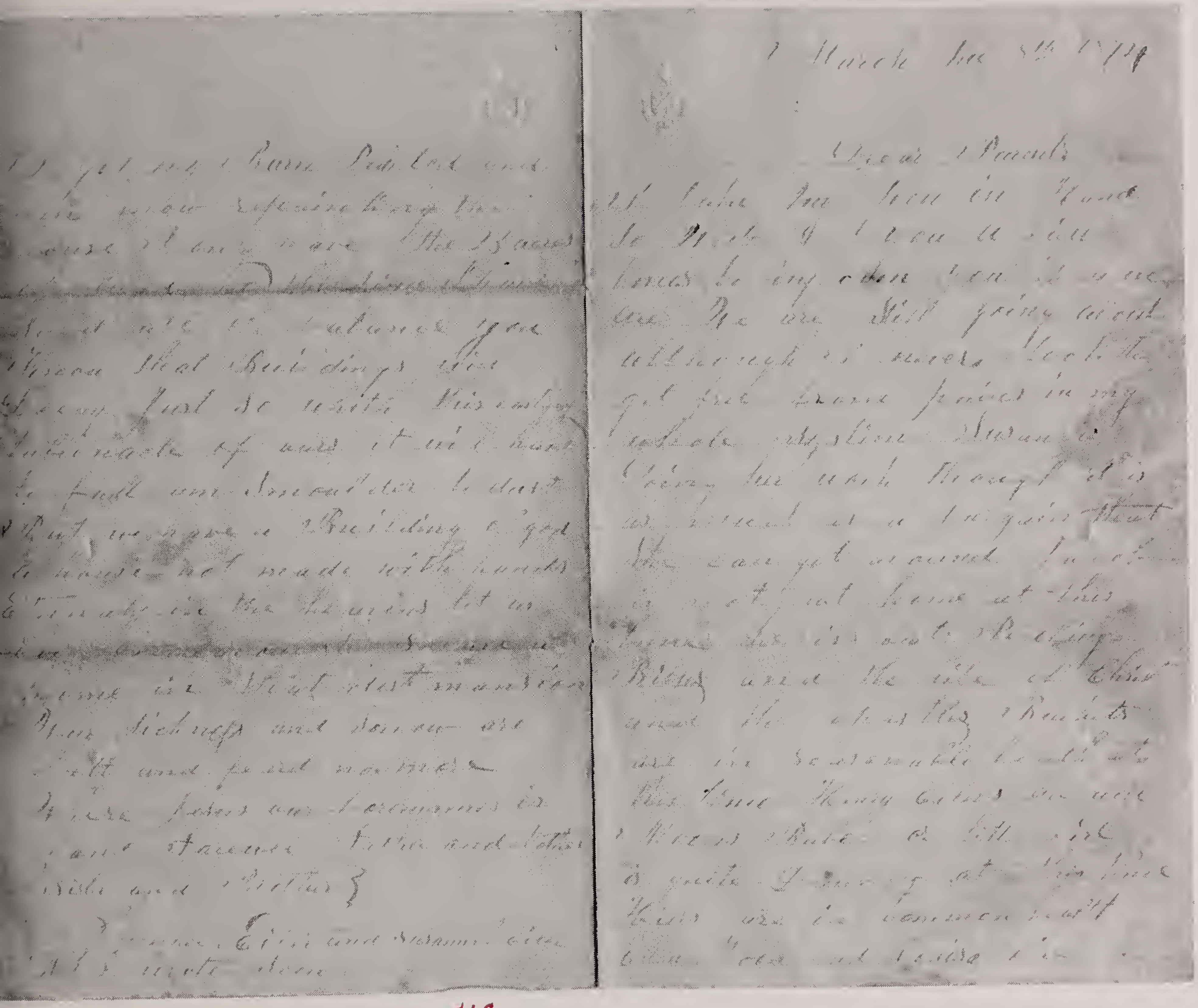
Tell me whether we can see each other during the Christmas holidays. And thanks for writing. By all means, send what you have.

Cordially,

Clement M. Eyler 30917



March the 5th 1874

Dear Friends
I take my pen in hand
to write you a few
lines to [illegible] you [illegible]
We are still going [illegible]
although [illegible] [illegible]
got [illegible] pains in my
whole system [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] at a bargain that
they can get around. [illegible]
is not [illegible] home at this
time he is out [illegible]
[illegible] and the [illegible]
and the [illegible]
are in [illegible]
this time [illegible]
[illegible] little girl
is quite [illegible] at this time
[illegible] in [illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] get my Barn Painted and
[illegible] now repairing the
house [illegible] The [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] you
[illegible] that Buildings [illegible]
[illegible] just so with this earthly
tabernacle of ours it will have
to fall and moulder to dust
but we have a Building of God
a house not made with hands
eternal in the heavens let us
[illegible]
[illegible] in. What [illegible] mansion
[illegible] sickness and sorrow are
[illegible] and [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] Father and Mother
[illegible] and Sister
[illegible] [illegible] and [illegible]
[illegible] write soon

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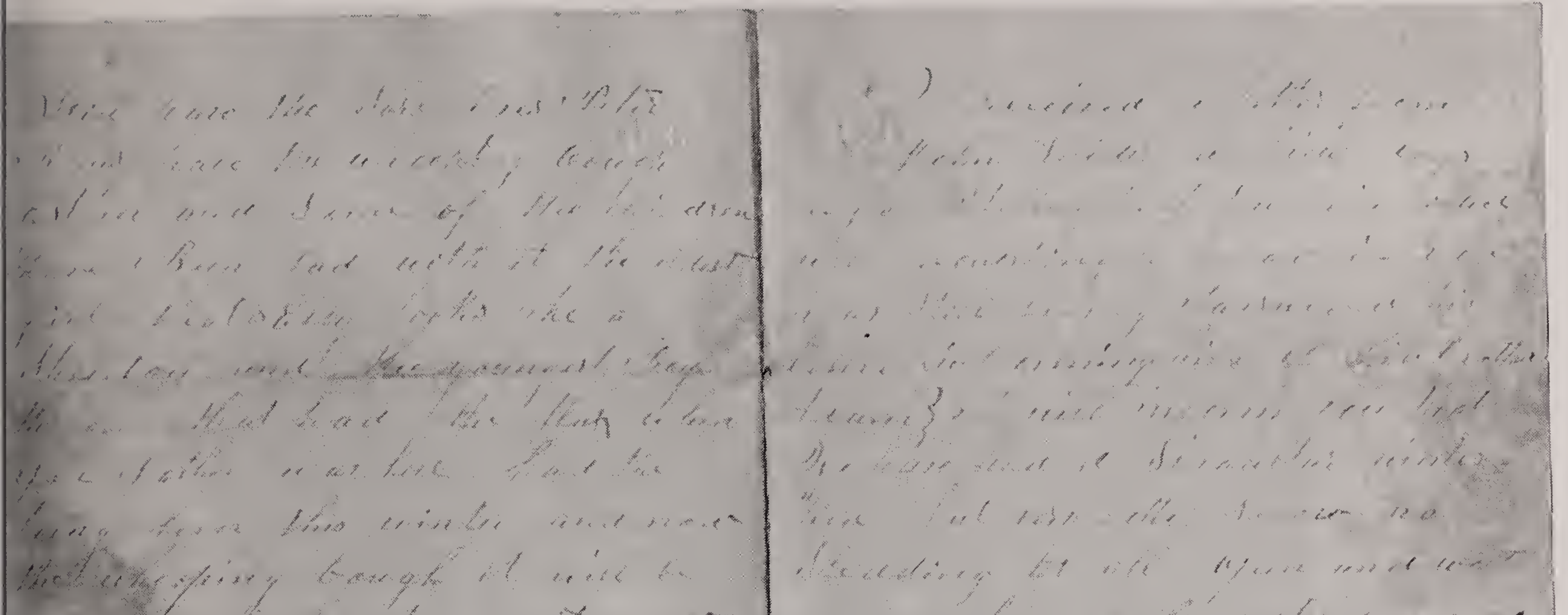

[illegible] have the Sore [illegible]
[illegible] have bin [illegible]
[illegible] and Some of the children
have bin bad with it the [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] looks like a
[illegible] and ~~the youngest boy~~
[illegible] that had the [illegible]
[illegible] father was here [illegible] he
[illegible] this winter and now
the whooping cough it will be
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] Sam Richardson was here
[illegible] before last he Said Roy
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
and ~~Martin~~ [illegible] married
this winter and that John had
Sold [illegible] him and the man
could not pay for it and
John is living in the [illegible]
house and [illegible] and family
in the house with [illegible] John had
[illegible] in the house [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] but now his [illegible]

I received a letter from
John [illegible] a [illegible]
ago [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] Harnessed [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] of [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
We have had a Singular winter
[illegible] but [illegible] no
Sledding at all [illegible] and we
[illegible] [illegible] yesterday and
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] and the [illegible]
the wind [illegible]
a [illegible] winter [illegible]
a good [illegible] of [illegible]
and Spilled [illegible]
and a good many [illegible]
(6 [illegible] I [illegible] informed you
that I sold my mules they [illegible]
[illegible] them ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible]
[illegible] 110 [illegible]

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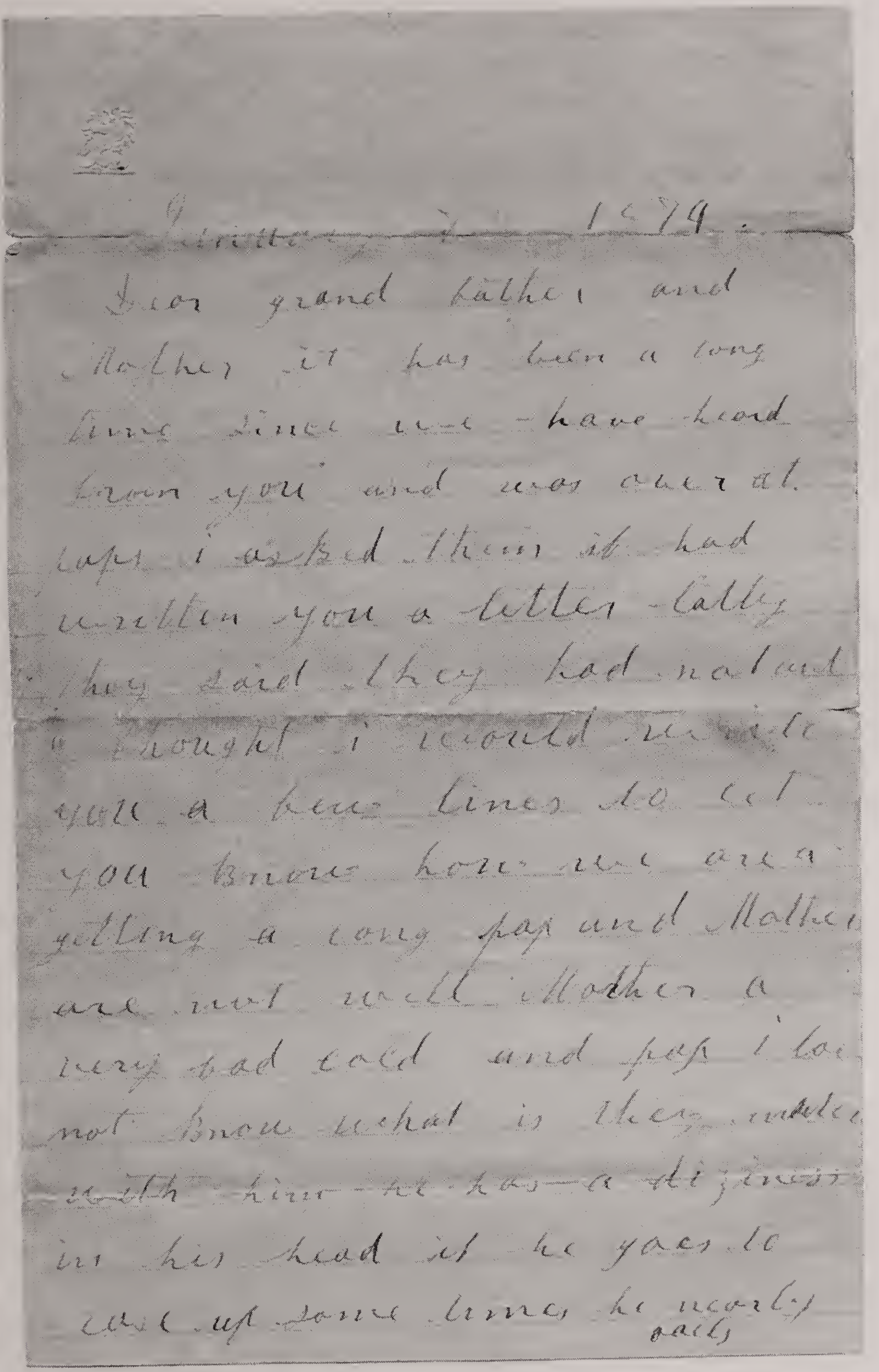

January 7 1879.

Dear grand father and
Mother it has been a long
time since we have heard
from you and was over at
paps i asked them if had
written you a letter lately
they said they had not and
i thought i would write
you a few lines to let
you know how we are a
getting a long pap and Mother
are not well Mother a
very bad cold and pap i do
not know what is the matter
with him he has a dizziness
in his head if he goes to
raise up some times he nearly
falls

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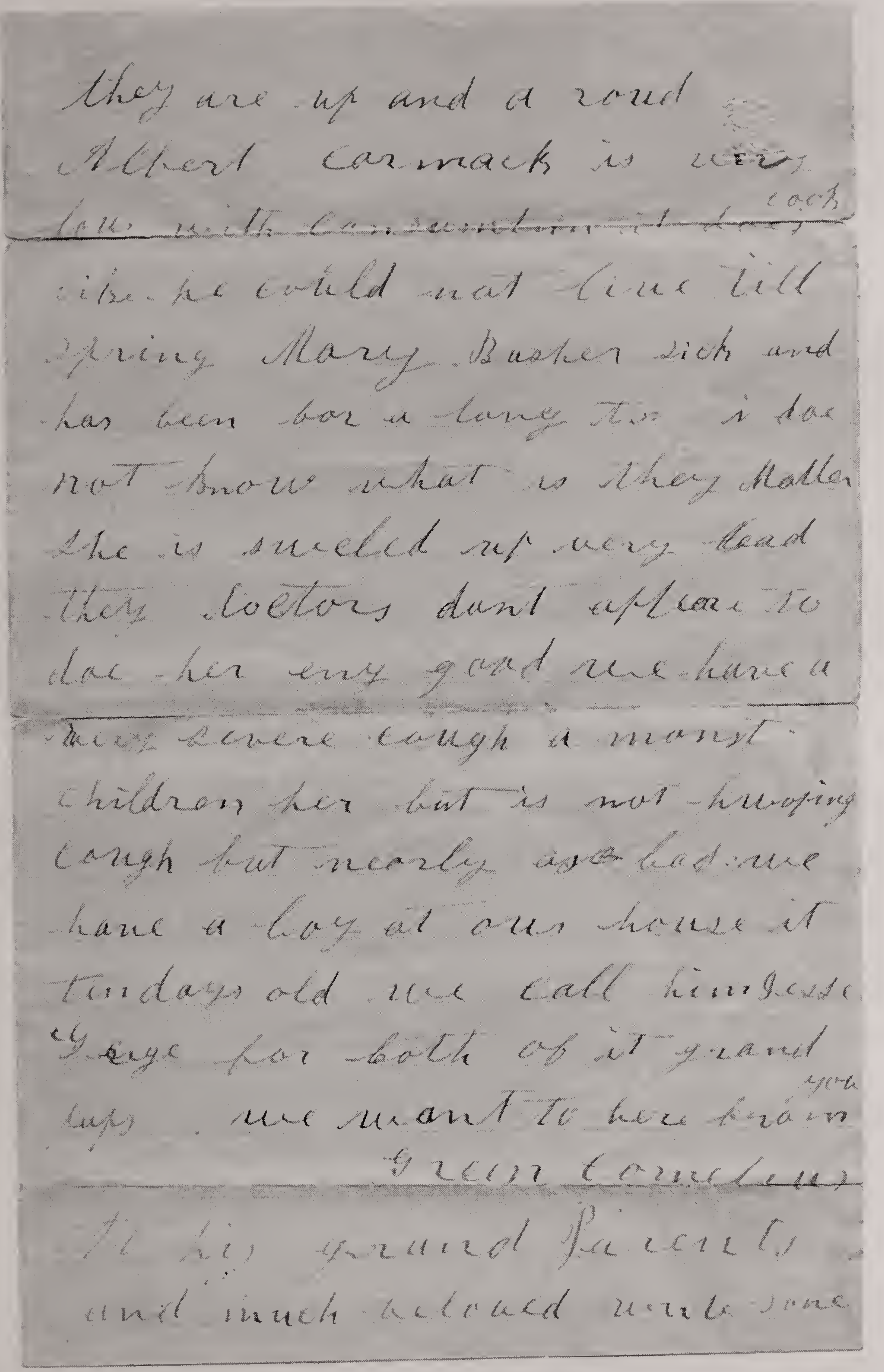

they are up and a roud
Albert Carmack is very
low with consumtion it looks look
like he could not live till
spring Mary Busher sick and
has been bor a long tim i doe
not know what is they Matter
she is sweled up very bad
they doctors dont appear to
doe her eny good we have a
very severe cough a monst
children her but is not hwoping
cough but nearly as bad we
have a boy at our house it
tendays old we call him Jesse
Gorge for both of it grand
paps . we want to here from you
Green Cornelius
To his grand parents
and much beloved uncle sone

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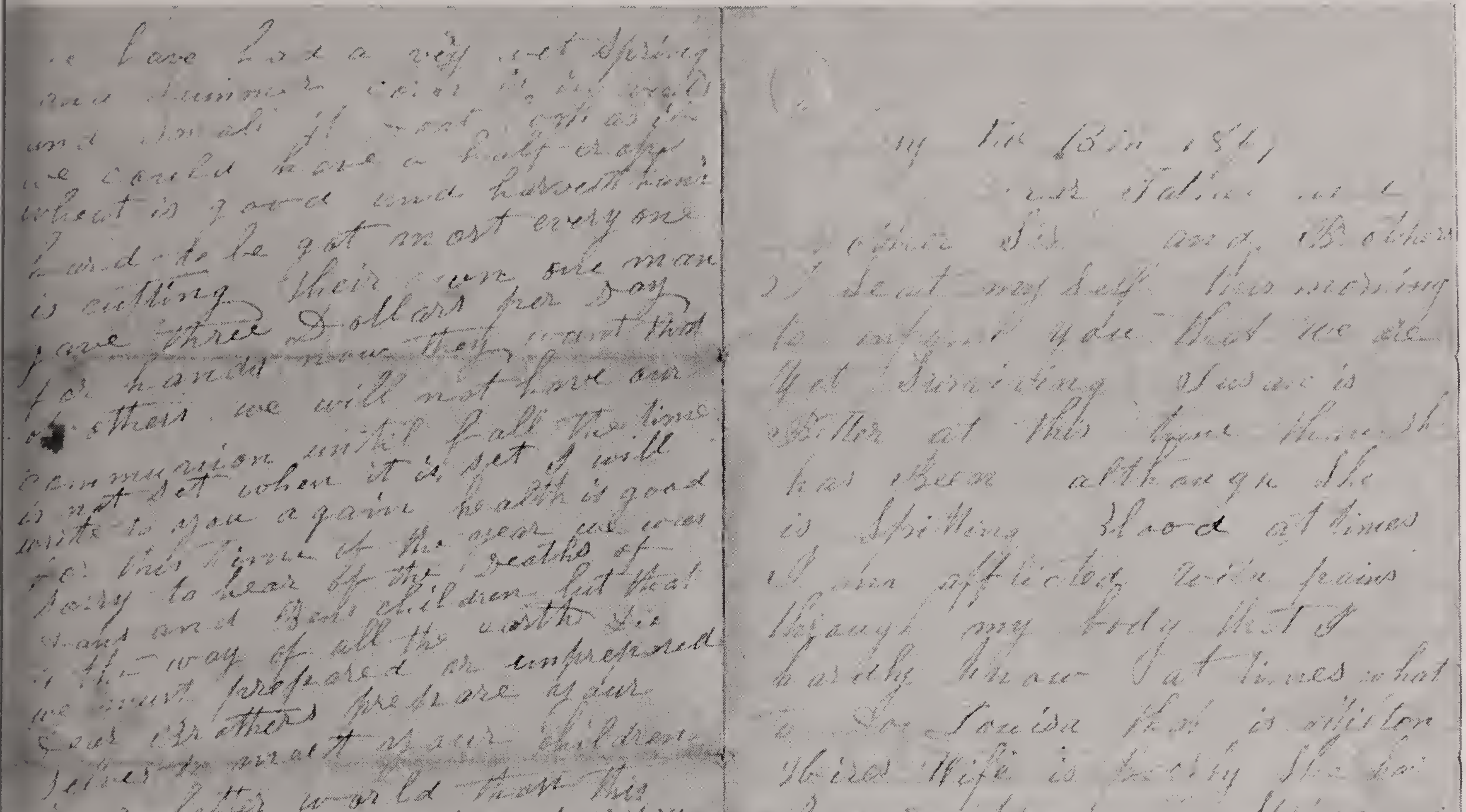
August the 22nd AD 1865.

Dear Father and mother Sister and brother I take my pen in my hand to Write a few lines to you this morning Informing you that we are all upon the Stage of action although Susan is Still afflicted with her cough and Smuthering in her breast Especialy of nights when She is lying Down Other wise Sh looks as well and harty as She has for years I am Still afflicted with the rheumatism although not So Severe as it has been) Burkits are all well) Peter Blues are all well) Milton Kiess are well their Babe is harty and grows fine there is But little Sickness in the country Old Prosper and old Susan Nichols are Still going about the old man is very feeble he cant hardly hear unless abody hollows to him and he is almost Blind I now will inform you of the Death of old Sister Nancy Miller Jacob Millers Mother She was living with her Daughter Henry Blacks wife onemile west from wher I use to live She Died last friday morning one week a go and was burried the next Day at 12 oclock the funeral was preached at 10 By Brother Isaac fisher and my Self David Bechtelheimer was not at home

Jacob. James and Aaron Miller was
Present from portage Her complaint
was old age and dropsiness of the
liver She was seventy four years old)
last wednesday night one week ago
at midnight there came up a Storm
and Aaron Browers wife got up to
look out opened the Back Door
and looked out and the wind blew
the front Door open and Slamed the
Back Door too and threw her out in
the yard and put her knee out of
Joint and Broke her leg below the
knee the same leg) last night
we had another heavy rain, we want
you to bear in mind that our communion
is on the last Day of Sept try to come
if you can I understand you have had
trouble on the account of your children
we was truly sorry to hear it we hope all
things may be reconciled again in
peace and quietude I would write more
to you but I commenced this on a half
Sheet and I have not room and we
close wishing you all well in time and
in eternity Farewell
Samuel Eiler To S and S Eiler Father and
Susan Eiler) Mother
Sister and Brother



e have had a very wet Spring
and Summer corn is very bad
and small it wont cut as if
we could have a half crop
wheat is good and harvest hand
hard to be got most every one
is cutting their own one man
gave three Dollars per Day
for hands now they want that
of others we will not have our
communion until fall the time
is not set when it is set I will
write to you again health is good
at this time of the year we was
sorry to hear of the deaths of
Isaac and Bens children but that
is the way of all the earth die
we must prepared or unprepared
Dear Brothers prepare your
selves to meet your children
in a better world than this
and Dear parents if we see you
no more we trust to meet in heaven
the greeting from Bro Jonas Boone
was kindly accepted and return
the same to him and to all
Samuel Eiler
Susannah Eiler

July the 6th 1861
Dear Father and
Mother Sisters and Brothers
I seat my self this morning
to inform you that we are
yet Surviving Susan is
Better at this time than she
has Been although she
is Spitting Blood at times
I am afflicted with pains
through my body that I
hardly know I at times what
to do Louisa that is Milton
Hiras Wife is poorly She has
Been Doctoring [illegible] Spring and
Summer for the Bleeding of the
Lungs and Bronchial affection
Hirams family are all well
the Eilers are all well with
the exception little Sam that
lives at his grandpap warrens

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ie has the Sore throat .
at this time Thoms is well
at this time Ellen got pretty
Stout again I forget whether
I wrote to you and inform
you of the death of their
Babe it Died Birthets as
well as common Peter He
says you promised to write
to him and he says that he
has not received the first letter
of a line and he wants you
to write to him I will inform
you that Peter had only sold
conditionaly he and his Brother
went to look at the southern
States found land and climate
that would suit him but
the price of land was so
high that a man with
no more than him would be
considered a poor man there

So they Bought a lot of
fine Stock such as the high
Bred cows and heiffers and
keep his place he is making
money I think I shall sell
my South eighty to him
and Divide the proceeds
amongst the children give
Each of them Seven hundred
Dollars there is none of them
would need it But moans
and moans wife is a perfect
old hog he wont give him
one red and now I will
inform you that my barn
is completed with the exception
of one coat of paint it is
40 feet wide 60 feet long
a Bank Barn it is a
Fancy Barn it has cost
me over eight hundred
Dollars actual cash

February the 5th 1872

Dear Parents this is to
Inform you that your Kind
letter came Duly to Hand
and found us in and about
the Same as When you was here
with us with little Exception
Susan has Been Spilling Blood
for the few last Days the
Balance of the friends is in
Moderate health Martin Tein
is all right again and is going
[illegible] the County for [illegible]
he has been twice Down to John
Richardsons Since he got Hurt
to see about Stock Bulletts are
as well as common We was
Glad to hear that you got Some
Relief but on the other hand
we was Sorry to read that mother
was So Poorly

Because she is better i say that
[illegible] I would just Way to
you & our old mother for
to bare up under your affliction
a While longer and you will
change this [illegible] affliction for
comfort and joy in the Spirit
world where affliction [illegible]
come our light afflictions works
for us a far more exceeding
and an eternal weight of
glory Paul the apostle says
they are but for a moment
it is true they are but a moment
[illegible] compared with [illegible]
eternity eternity that no end
now father and mother and
sister and brother if in this
world we meet no more
where we may meet in a better
world there ~~that~~ where sickness
and sorrow never can come

I Did not know you had
We have Winter in the Right
along with Some very cold
Days and plenty of good
Sledding and Sleighing and
to Say it is a [illegible]
we [illegible] I have
nothing of Importance to write
to you this time so i will
come to a close and say we
are remain your children in
parental love so good By
Samuel Ellis } H and S
Hannah Ellis } Ellis

Burkittsville Fred. County
Dear Bro   Md. Aug 17. 1860

I have not forgot the promise I made you when at Hagerstown, to write to you

Among the many strange Brethren with whom I met, I did not meet any for whom I formed a greater attachment than yourself. —

Jackson Burns. Sr had prepared me for a meeting ~~for~~ with you, He had always spoke in the most exalted terms of you. I presume my Bro David has read you my letter to him, so I fear that I may write the same things over to you if so you will bear with me.

After leaving your place I went to Brookville in Montgomery County Ohio. Where I expected a Bro Gilbert to meet me having written to him but it appears that he did not go to his office during harvest. So he knew nothing of my being in the West. until I arrived at his house. There being no meeting on the next day, Sunday in his neighbourhood So he and his wife went with me some 12 Miles South of him in the neighbourhood of Germantown to visit one of my Cousins. Isaac Slifer with whom I

The Great Dissension [illegible]

remained over Sunday night, next day in company with him. I returned to Germantown and remained untill evening, then went on to Dayton, where I became the guest of Mr Slifer Isaac's Son remained there several days. I found quite a good Meeting house of our Brethern in Dayton. would have Preached for them in our own house but learning there were but few members in town. It was thought best I should Preach in the United Brethern Church to which my relatives belonged. But it being on the evening of the 4th of July it was thought I would have but a slim attendance, yet the encouraged me from the circumstances that their weekly prayer meeting was held on that evening. So I consented to Preach, But I as well as the friends were disappointed in consequence of my taking sick in the evening, my friends there who seemed to be extremely anxious to hear me were not gratified.

The next day I went to Springfield where I met many friends and relatives none but one belonged to our church, I was requestd to remain in town and preach for them but prefered going out on Saturday evening to preach on next day to the Brethern some 7 miles West of town, where I did Preach to a small congregation yet a very large meeting house. the reason was that the morning was raining and prevented many from turning out I stopped with Bro Hulleberger Their Principal Preachers name is Frantz & others

with him I was a perfect Stranger among them. But one member in the Church Knowing me and that was a Sister, who had married a relative of my wife she was the daughter of Bro Shellebarger. –

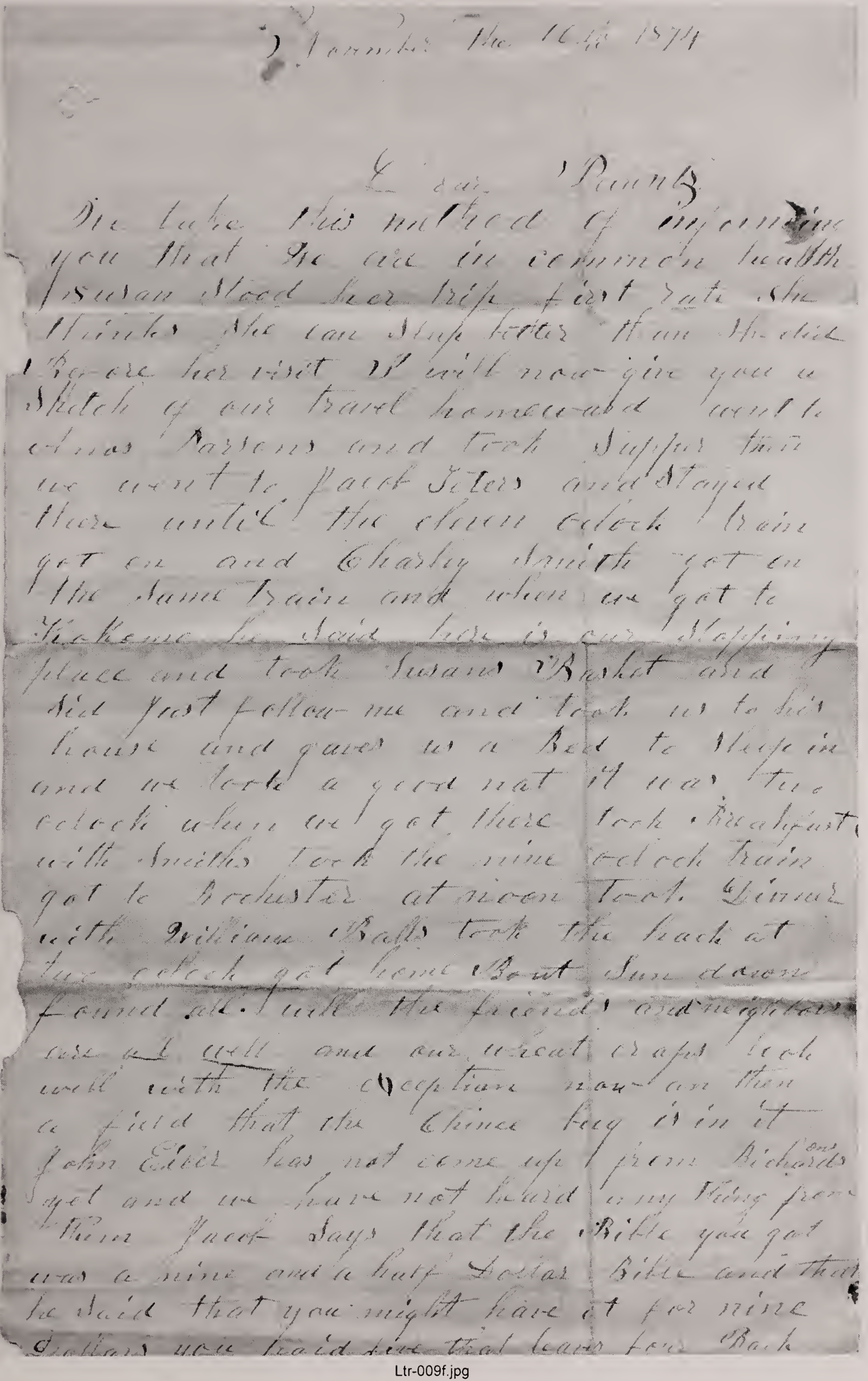
From here I went North to the neighbourhood of Urbanna where I remained some five days among many relatives this is a fine County they had splendid Crops of wheat, and good prospect for Corn, here some 24 years ago I was urged by my friends to buy land the best improved Farms might then have been bought for $20 per acre which now bring $70

While in that neighbourhood I preached in Urbanna in the Baptist Church remaining over night And on Saturday I ran some 70 miles to a place Called "Carey" where I was met by Bro Eberle who took me out to his Congregation 11 miles where I Preached twice on Sunday and on Monday morning I preached a funeral, and left immediately for Tiffin in which neighbourhood I visited relatives for the last in Ohio and Preached for them, And then proceeded on to Cleaveland, then embarked in one of the finest steam boat which runs upon Lake Erie, which ran all night landing next morning in Buffalo, thence to the great falls of Niagara, where I saw nature in her august Majesty And grandeur, Calculated to make the beholder look upwards from whence all Creative power comes from and being the source of all good, here I remained some 6 hours seeing all the sights that could be seen in that time

The great suspension bridge, Blondin Rope which he had just walked the day befor. from this place I ran after night towards Albany. passing many large towns in the night such as Rochester Syracuse Rome Utica —

From Albany I went down the Hudson River to the great City of N. York remained there long enough to see the Great Eastern passing on to Philadelphia remained over Sunday and Preached for the Brethren there twice and after night meeting Went on to Baltimore to Breakfast there and dinner at home being from home 9 weeks and one day, traveling by Publick Conveyance alone 3421 miles without seeing an accident. God be praised for it. I truly had a pleasant time of it. the trip Cost me $160. I think I have increased my Stock of Knowledge and trust I have been of some benifit to the church in the course of my travels. May the Lord prosper her, strengthen her stakes and lengthen her Cords. At home I found more sickness than I saw in my whole trip my own family was well and is still so but I followed three relatives to their last resting place Sarah Ellen Sliper John Arnold Sr. and Lloyd Arnold Peters son. May this find you and yours well, and all other of my friends and relatives. give my Love to the Brethren generally particularly to Brethren Hardman Holler and the Bowmans and, Maryland in and around Hagerstown also to Bro David and family I hope they are all well I would be pleased if you would write to me I have been waiting a number of letters since I arrived at home while absent I wrote 41 letters Yours in Love Emanuel Sliper

We Have nothing of inhertance at
this time to will to you hoping
that when thes few lines come to hyou
they may Stil find you enjoying a
reasonable blessing of good health
we remain your children in the bonds
of parental love
Samuel Eiter an Susannah Eiter



November the 16th 1874

Dear Parents

We take this method of informing you that we are in common health Susan Stood her trip first rate she thinks she can Stup better than she did before her visit I will now give you a Sketch of our travel homeward went to Amos Parsons and took Supper then we went to Jacob Siters and Stayed there until the eleven oclock train got on and Charly Smith got on the same train and when we got to Kokomo he said here is our Stopping place and took Susans Basket and Said just follow me and took us to his house and gave us a bed to sleep in and we took a good nap it was two oclock when we got there took breakfast with Smiths took the nine oclock train got to Rochester at noon took Dinner with William Balls took the hack at two oclock got home Bout Sun down found all well the friends and neighbors are al well and our wheat crops look well with the exception now an then a field that the Chince bug is in it John Elder has not come up from Richardson yet and we have not heard any thing from them Jacob Says that the Bible you got was a nine and a half Dollar Bible and that he said that you might have it for nine Dollars you paid five that leaves four Back

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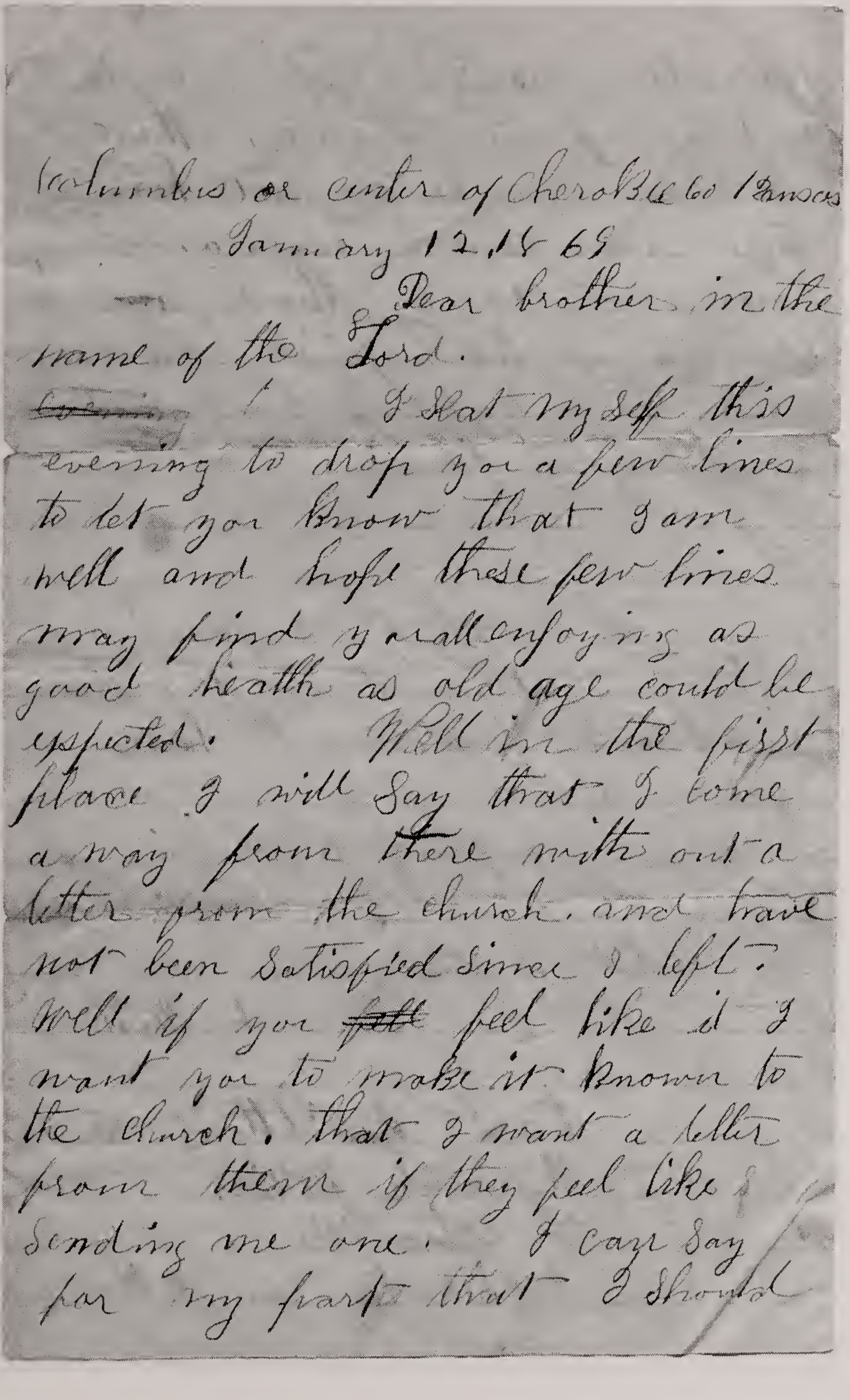

Columbus or center of CheroKee Co Kansas
January 12, 1869

Dear brother in the name of the Lord.

~~evening~~ I Sat my Self this evening to drop you a few lines to let you Know that I am well and hope these few lines may find you all enjoying as good health as old age could be expected. Well in the first place I will Say that I come a way from there with out a letter from the church. and have not been Satisfied Since I left. Well if you ~~fell~~ feel like it I want you to make it Known to the church. that I want a letter from them if they feel like Sending me one. I can Say for my part that I Should

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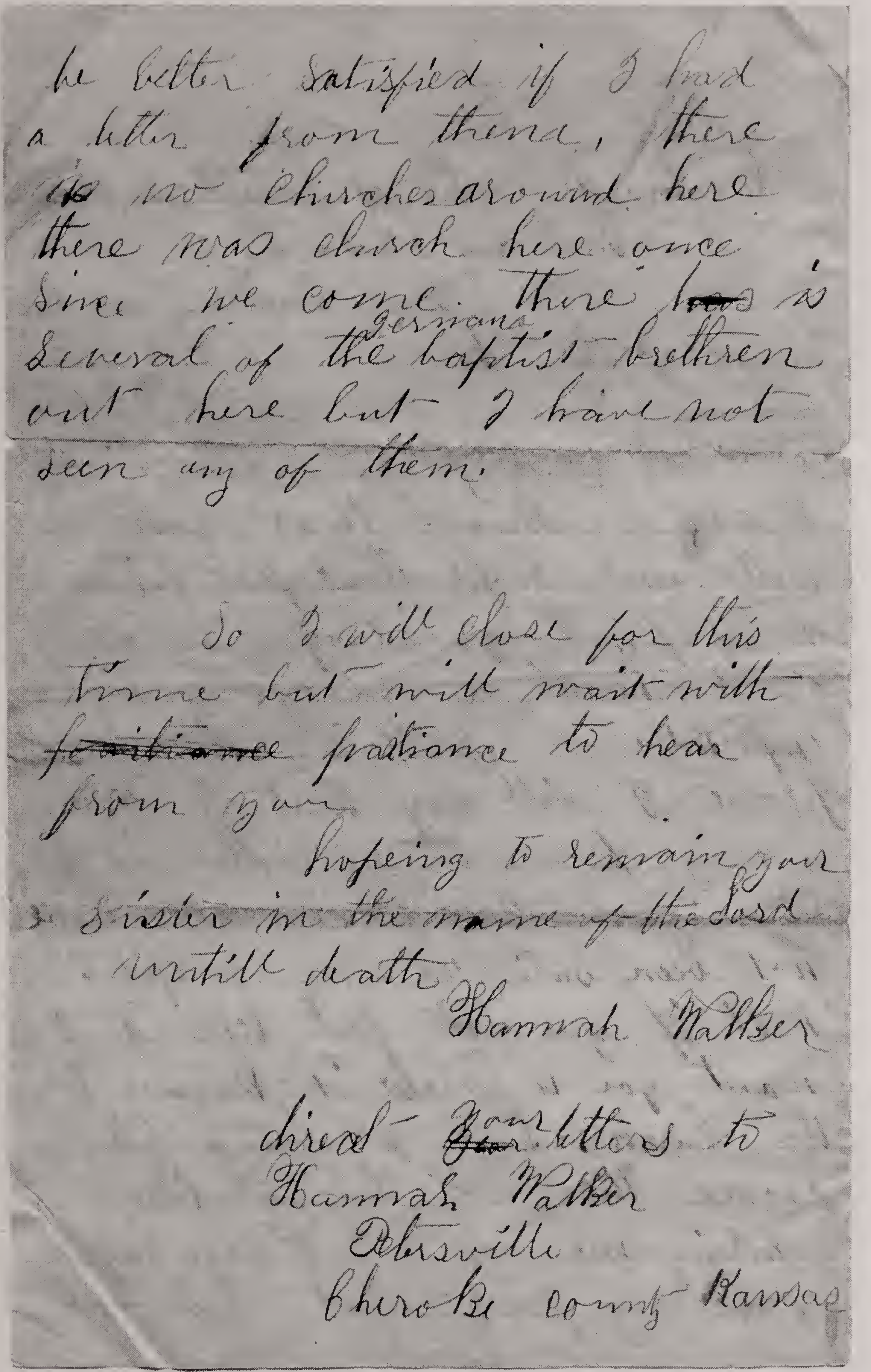

be better satisfied if I had
a letter from thena, there
~~is~~ no Churches around here
there was church here once
since we come there ~~has~~ is
several of the ^Germans^ baptist brethren
out here but I have not
seen any of them.

So I will close for this
time but will wait with
~~[illegible]~~ pratiance to hear
from you

hopeing to remain your
sister in the name of the Lord
untill death

Hannah Walker

direct ~~you~~ your letters to
Hannah Walker
Otisville
Cheroke county Kansas

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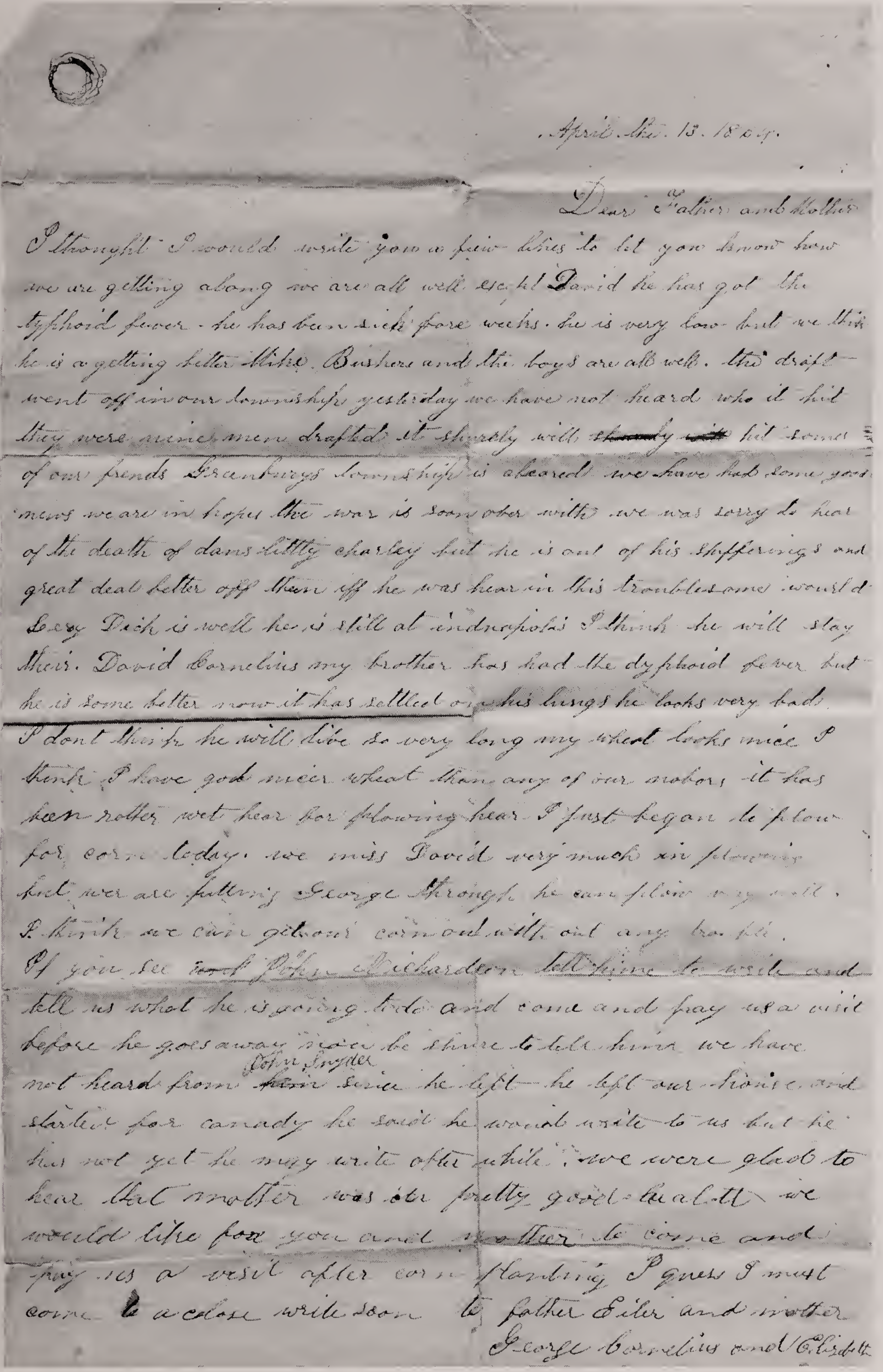

April the 13. 1864.

Dear Father and Mother
I thought I would write you a few lines to let you know how
we are getting along we are all well except David he has got the
typhoid fever he has been sick fore weeks. he is very low but we think
he is a getting better Mike. Bushore and the boys are all well. the draft
went off in our township yesterday we have not heard who it hit
they were nine men drafted it shurely will ~~shurely~~ ~~it~~ hit some
of our frends Granburys township is cleared we have had some good
news we are in hopes the war is soon over with we was sorry to hear
of the death of dans little charley but he is out of his sufferings and
great deal better off then iff he was hear in this troublesome would
Levy Dick is well he is still at indnapolis I think he will stay
their. David Cornelius my brother has had the dyphoid fever but
he is some better now it has settled on his lungs he looks very bad
I dont think he will live so very long my wheat looks nice I
think I have got nicer wheat than any of our nabors it has
been rather wet hear for plowing hear I just began to plow
for corn today. we miss David very much in plowing
but we are putting George through he can plow very well.
I think we can get our corn out with out any trouble.
If you see ~~[illegible]~~ John Richardson tell him to write and
tell us what he is going to do and come and pay us a visit
before he goes away now be shure to tell him we have
not heard from ~~him~~ John Snyder since he left he left our house and
started for canady he said he would write to us but he
has not yet he may write after while. we were glad to
hear that mother was in pretty good health we
would like for you and mother to come and
pay us a visit after corn planting I guess I must
come to a close write soon to father Eiler and mother
George Cornelius and Elizbeth

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Albany, N. Y. 11 September 1931

Supt. J. H. Eilar
Courthouse
Newcastle, Indiana

My dear Mr. Eilar:

A search in our genealogical material reveals no information concerning the individuals whom you mention.

Local church and cemetery records of the locality in which a family lived often prove helpful in supplying genealogical data.

I am sorry to be unable to assist you at this time.

Sincerely yours,
Edna L. Jacobsen

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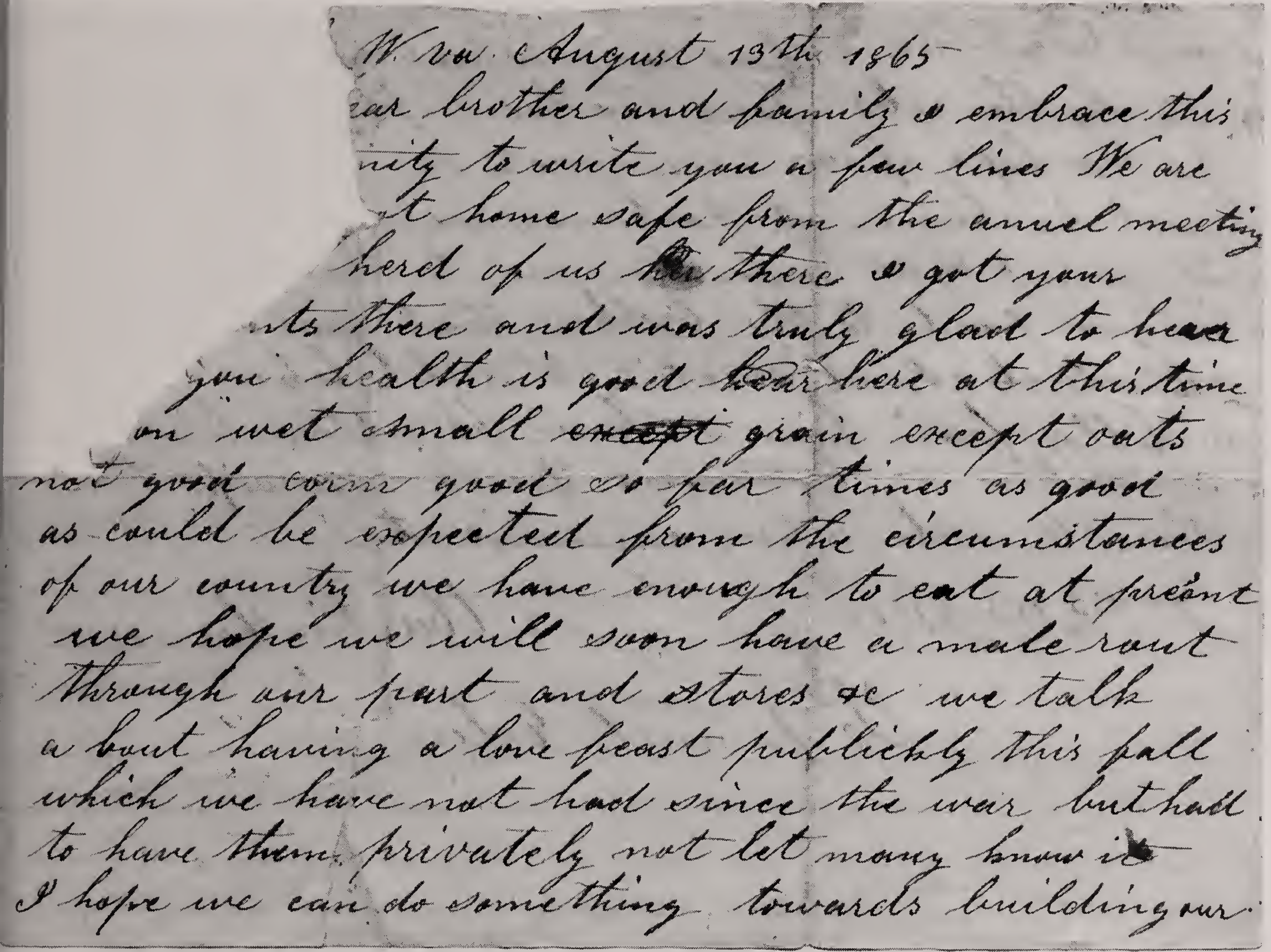

W. va. August 13th 1865
ear brother and family I embrace this
nity to write you a few lines We are
t home safe from the annuel meeting
herd of us ~~[illegible]~~ there I got your
ts there and was truly glad to hear
you health is good ~~hear~~ here at this time
on wet small ~~except~~ grain except oats
not good corn good so far times as good
as could be expected from the circumstances
of our country we have enough to eat at preánt
we hope we will soon have a male raut
through our part and stores &c we talk
a bout having a love feast publickly this fall
which we have not had since the war but had
to have them privately not let many know it
I hope we can do something towards building our

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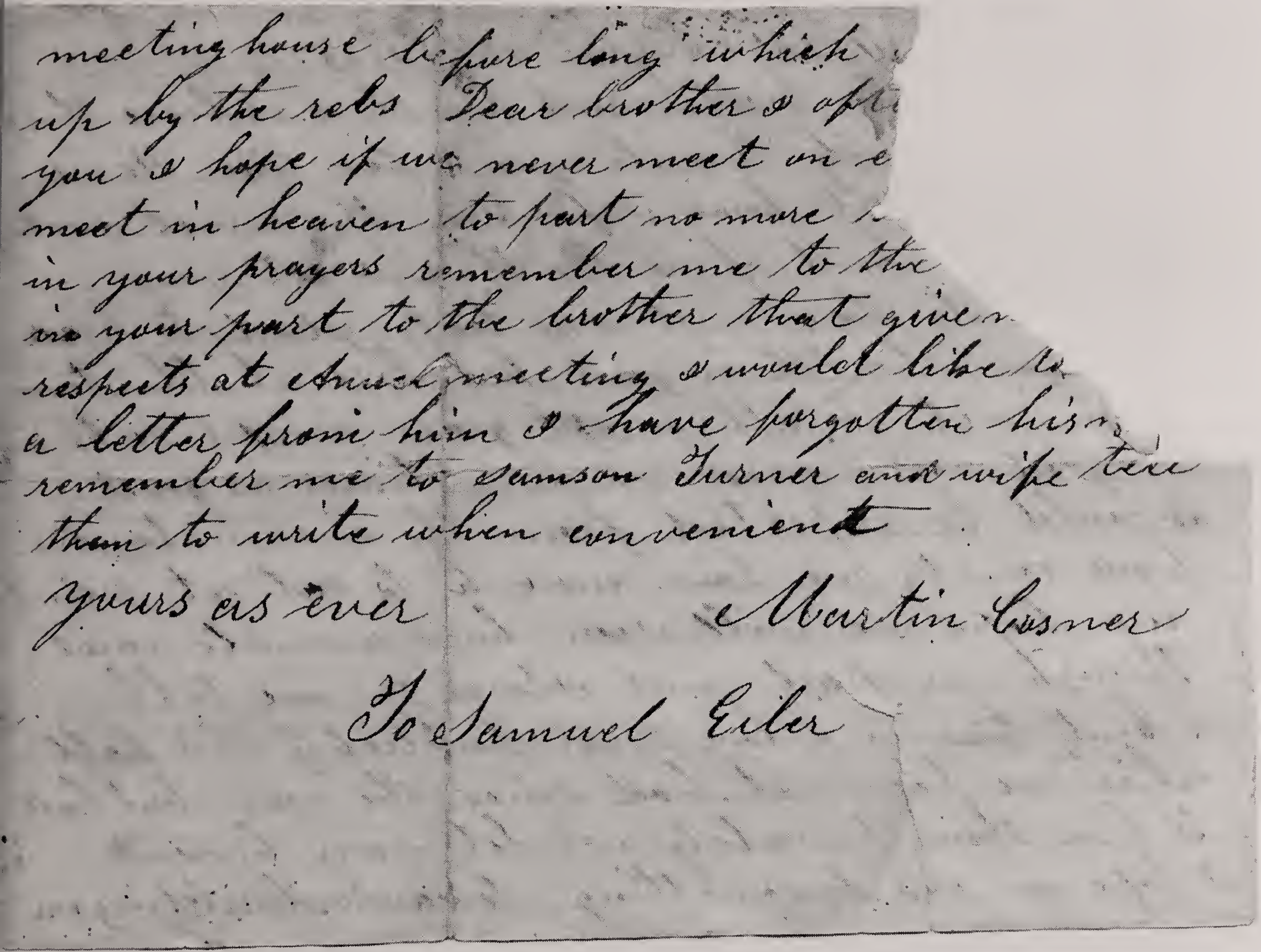

meeting house before long which
up by the rebs Dear brother I oft
you I hope if we never meet on e
meet in heaven to part no more
in your prayers remember me to the
in your part to the brother that give
respects at Anual meeting I would like to
a letter from him I have forgotten his
remember me to Samson Turner and wife tell
them to write when convenient

yours as ever Martin Cosner

To Samuel Eiler

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July the 10 1865 my dear father and mother i take my pen in hand to rite a few lines to you to let you no how we are we are all well onley ben he haint well he has a pane in his side he cant hardly work some time but i hope when these few lines comes to hand will find you all well

well granpap i tell you why we rite so soon again Ben can bie a mare and he cant make up the money he wants you to lone him thirty dolers a year or if you haint got it to lone you try and borrow it from some body else in there if you can let ous have it you ntend to think we will do like David we will pa it back in a year if we can I sell our land we will pay it sooner for we have so much haling to do that we cant do with out a horse we wont to sow some wheat and some rie to and all our couper stuff to hall we cant git no horse to plow our corn it haint bin plowed yit it looks rite well we have to hoe all with the hoes i haint bin in the house for two or three weeks to do aninthing in the house a tall granpip. if you have the money or if you can borrow it of some one for ous you send it in a letter or if you wont to come out your self I you can fetch it your self but we woul ~~d love~~ like to have it as quick as you git this letter for we have to have it rite away if you git it so no more this time onley re main your childern on till death rite as soon as you git this From Rebecca and Benjamin Eilar To Samuel and Susan Eilar

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VIRGINIA STATE LIBRARY

RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

WILMER L. HALL
STATE LIBRARIAN

ALL CORRESPONDENCE SHOULD BE
DIRECTED TO THE STATE LIBRARIAN

June 16, 1937

Mr. J. H. Milar
1936 Broad Street
Newcastle, Indiana

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of June 14, 1937, I regret to say that the Virginia State Library is unable to undertake the time-consuming work of furnishing genealogical information, including records of Revolutionary soldiers, soldiers of the War of 1812 or colonial soldiers. We must refer persons wishing such information to investigators not connected with the library who may be employed for the purpose. These investigators have access not only to all the material in this library but also to the material in the Land Office of Virginia, the library of the Virginia Historical Society, and other depositories in Richmond and elsewhere in the State of Virginia. I suggest that you write to Mrs. Ida Drury, 305 Somerset Avenue, Richmond, Virginia.

Very truly yours,

Wilmer L. Hall

State Librarian

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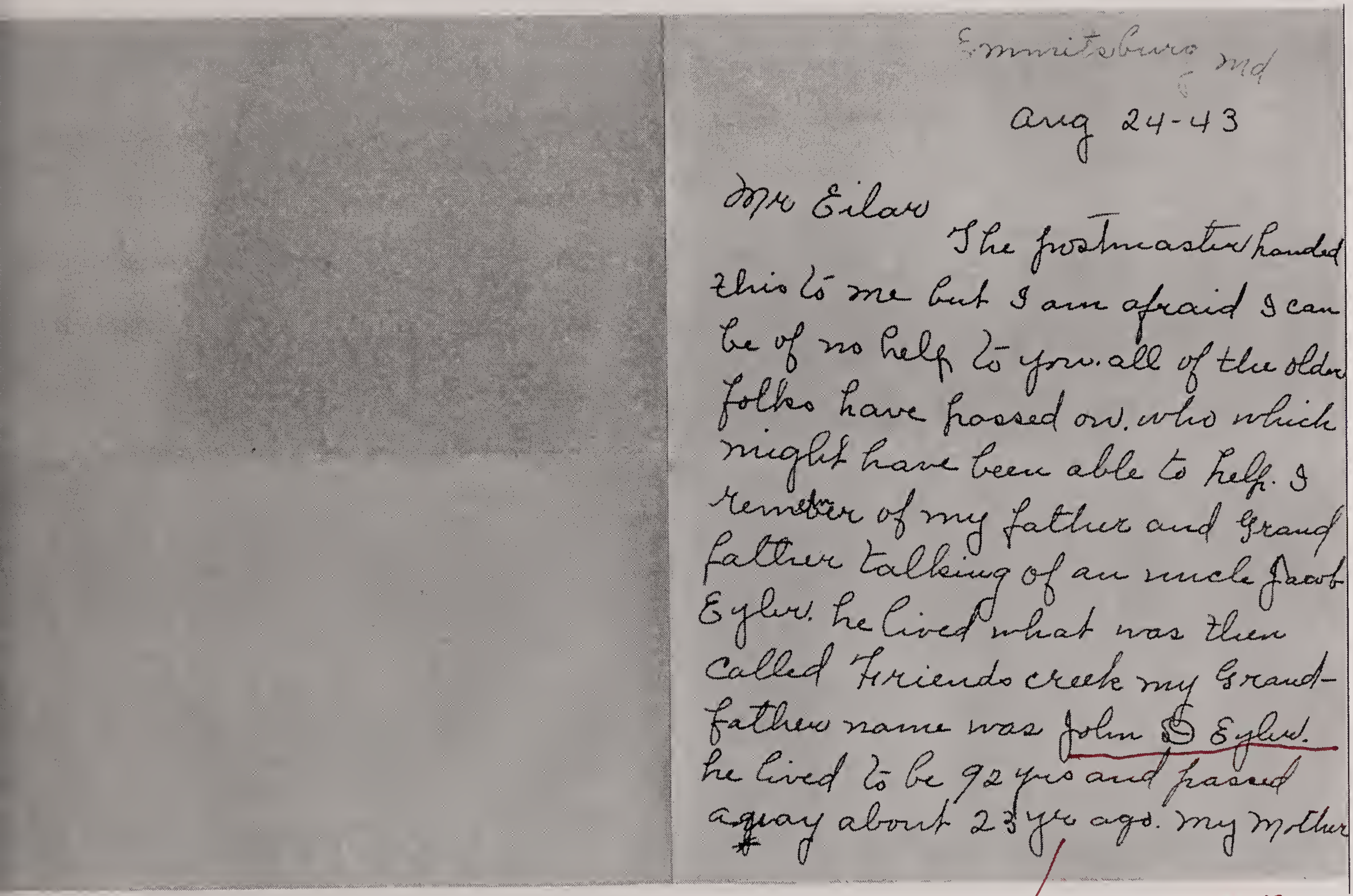

Emmitsburg Md

aug 24-43

Mr Eilar

The postmaster handed this to me but I am afraid I can be of no help to you. all of the older folks have passed on. who which might have been able to help. I remember of my father and Grand father talking of an uncle Jacob Eyler. he lived what was then called Friends creek my Grand-father name was John S Eyler. he lived to be 92 yrs and passed agway about 23 yrs ago. my Mother

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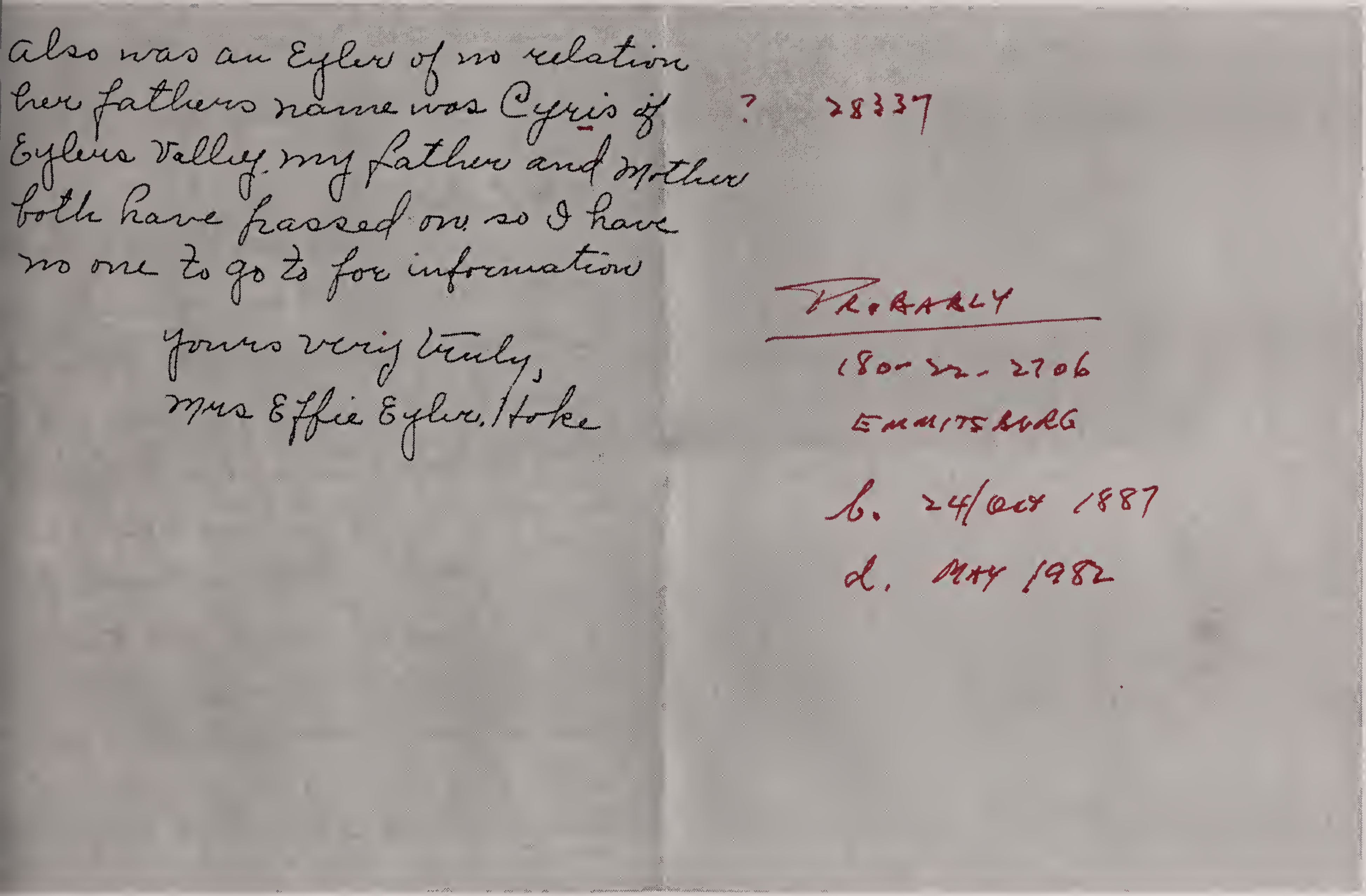

also was an Eyler of no relation
her fathers name was Cyris of
Eylers Valley. my father and Mother
both have passed on. so I have
no one to go to for information

Yours very truly,
Mrs Effie Eyler. Hoke

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DR. J. S. EILAR
DENTAL SURGEON
512 FIRST NAT'L BANK BLDG.
ALBUQUERQUE, N. M.

Jan. 24 1938

Dear Jess:

Wrote you some time ago that I had sent the Photostat to Annapolis.

Here is the reply. The ~~copy~~ photostat is so large that I will reproduce the signature for you.

Now what do you think? We may have been working on the wrong state, and again we may not, my report from the genealogist in the next few days will tell. I ~~th~~ am begining to think that receipt belongs to some other member of the family. Now I have plenty of work to do on the history of Maryland.

Hope I haven't spent another 25 bucks for nothing.

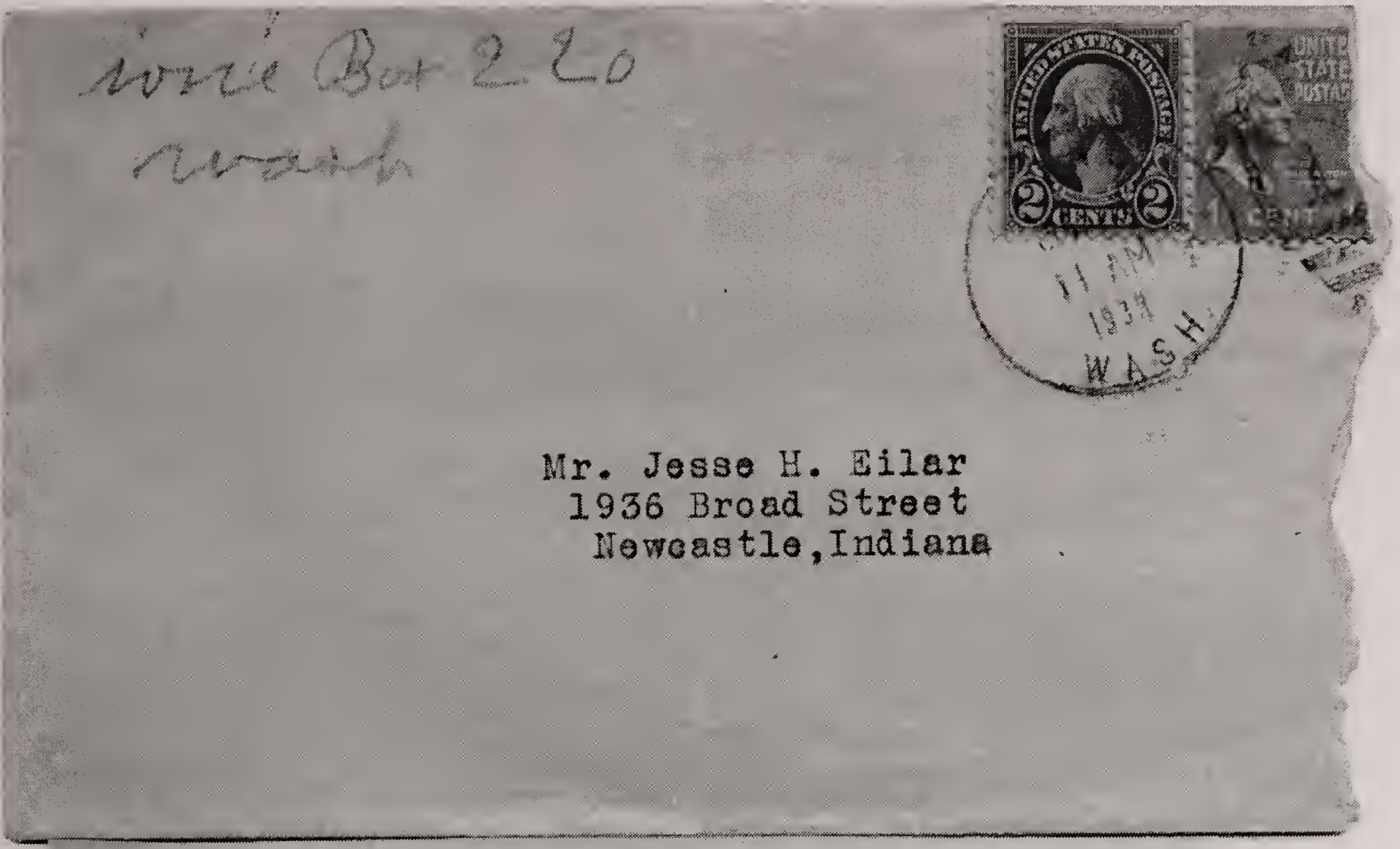
Benj. Ogle's signature on photostat sent me looks like this,

Ben Ogle

Notice the B is identical, and the last you could make the ie as we once thought, and also how the e trails off. I traced this signature. I,am going to find where in the hell Ben. Ogle was in I784.

Return this letter, please. Looks like out I704 is blown up, This Archiwist couldn't have any reason to connect these signatures and no reason not to connect them. He certai nly is positive of the fact that they are the same or he wouldn't have gone to the trouble and expence of sending me the photostat.

Notice the ls in the receipt and the l in his signature, also the way he spells pence. When he ends a w~~w~~ord in e it always looks like he has an i before it, the sare thing appears in June. Notice the e in June and the e in pence, they trail off just as it does in his signature. Little more elaborate with his 0 in I799 but his g is still open.



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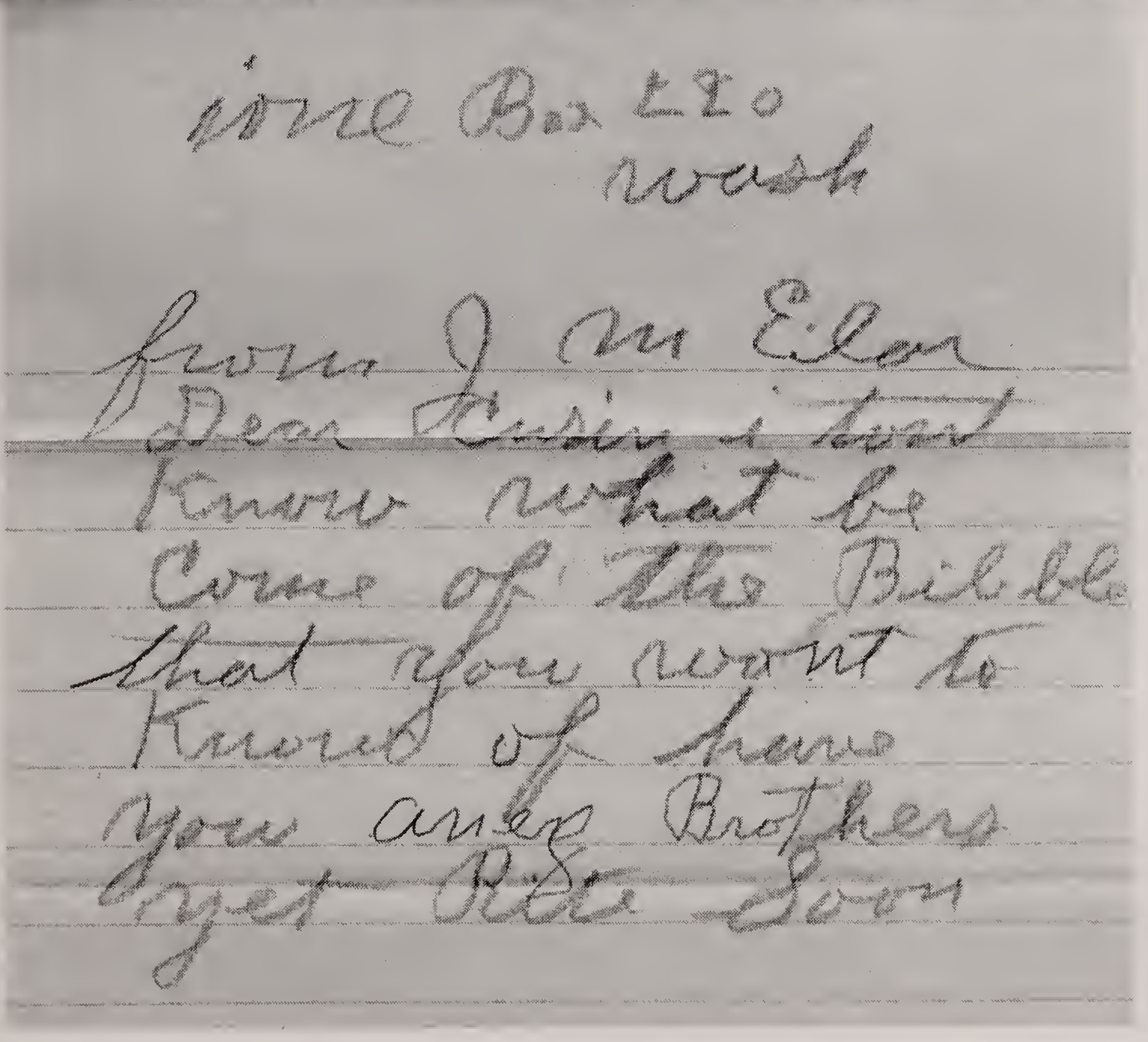
Mr. Jesse H. Eilar
1936 Broad Street
Newcastle, Indiana



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from J M Eilar
Dear Cusin i dont
Know what be
Come of the Bibble
that you want to
Know of have
you any Brothers
yet Rite Soon

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Altadena,PO(Via Pasadena,Calif)- July 29--42
Dear Mr Eilar-- 247-West Foothill Blvd-

Your letter of inquiry about our family-as sent to my old Add-in Topeka-Ks, was forwarded to me here,where I moved in 1931--I am just letting you know-that as soon as I get over some other duties I will write you fully on some Eiler-etc records I have and I have a lot.I see at a glance I have a Valentine-record,and will sendyou later-BUT I am SURE interested- in your statement-that you saw an article in Ind Hist Soc-THIS WEEK-about"OUR ancestors" my vol on my 16 lines-etc. Would you please in meantime, tell me about this as a SURPRISE to me-Who wrote it-what is the writing about- etc,author-and hope very soon-to send you a lot of records- also to give you some suggestions- how to get more-My line camefrom HesseCastle-Ger-in 1800-to Fred-Co Md-Jacob Iler-mar-to Catherine Boone-died-Hancock Co-O-aged 92yrs-Willtell you more-later. I have had Corres-with your rel-at Alberquequ-N Mx- Thanks for your interesting record & I will give yu lot later-Busy now- Homer Eiler

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DR. J. S. EILAR
DENTAL SURGEON
512 FIRST NAT'L BANK BLDG.
ALBUQUERQUE, N. M.

April 26 1935

Dear Jessie:

I haven't heard from you but am going to try again. With the exception of a few dates I now have the history and lineage of the entire Daniel and Jacob Eilar families. I also have the lineage of a family in Canada,a probable bro ther of Samuel. I have had a very pleasant letter from Hazel Eilar giveing me her family with the exception of the few dates. I don't want to bore you with this but would like to hear from you. If you don't want to bother with this give it to Horace or some one who will be able to get it. Called on Russell but he has some work that has taken him to Santa Fe for a while. He has a nice family and it is too bad he is sick. My brother Ralph looks a lot like him, and they think I resemble Loreing. I am encloseing your lineage just to show you how I am working it along with the histories. I think in this way it will be easy to keep, and a constant source of information in the future. Give me the address of some one who spells their name Eiler and who is related to us. I saw a letter with your history address to an Emett Eiler. Do you know his present address?

Have someone to fill in these dates and return them to me, please.

With best of wishes,

J. S. Eilar

P.S.

Return your lineage and if there are any mistakes let me know. Also and suggestions or comments will be appreciated. I want this to be,as I once heard on a phonograph, A comprehensive compendium of indispensable facts.

I think I ask you where Samuel and Susannah are buried,if not,let me know. One more favor; give me a line on some member of the Samuel Eilar family, a brother to your grandfather and mine. Born at Hagerstown and buried in the Miller cemetery near Middletown There should be some of them liveing around there, if he had any children. All I ask is just an address I will write them.

DR. J. S. EILAR
DENTAL SURGEON
512 FIRST NAT'L BANK BLDG.
ALBUQUERQUE, N. M.

Dec. 13 1937

Dear Jess:

Just a snappy reply.

Definate tieup of Valentines neccessary for the linage as we now have it, must be made.

The names of the children of Valentine I are not in sequence as to age that I know of, just taken from the will with no thought as to ages. Bible is probably correct.

Study the arrivals between 1745 and 1770. The only other possible one to connect that I found was a Valentine Uhler, on Charming Namcy, from Rotterdam, by way of Plymouth, landed oct. 8 1737.

As to name, Many of the Eiler family in America are from the Iler famly in Germany. Homer Eiler who has a history of his family comes from Iler, and the arrival of these people in this country was around 1800, just previous too and just after. These people all came by way of Baltimore located in Fredericks Co. Maryland just over the line from where the Eylers and Eulers were in Penn, Maryland history says there was a Samuel Ogle Governor of that state born 1702 died 1752. Also a Benjamine Ogle who was Gov. from 1798 to 1801. I am going to get the signature of these two men and compare it with the old receipt.

My story still stands until disproved and I am digging into the connections. I'll be damned if I can see the 1784 but here is another letter in the same mail as yours. Please return it.

I may be barking up the wrong tree but I am sending money to-day to have the Valentine of the will traced, for a connection of the Vals. of Felties.

Sy Obert.

Just reread your letter, you state German Baptist History says Felty migrated to Canada in 1780. Should this have been 1780 or 1790? These 10 year would make a whale of a difference and be very valuable in connecting the two Valentines. Make sure and let me know, immediately. I found no Valentine Eiler, comeing over from 1729 to 1775.

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Indianapolis Ind
217 E. Vermont st
Apr 21-1938

My Dear Friend;

You are not aware, I am sure, of how much I have always admired you, You are a gentleman of honor and a scholar after my own heart, I hope what I read in the paper is true, Your new connection in the school now is not the highest that you are qualified for nor is it the highest you may obtain, I am for you in what or for whatever you aspire, ~~to~~, Count me 100% strong.

I want to put a thought in your mind that you may enlarge on, this is it, there are three necessary qualifications in the lives of men and women to assure them doing the most good in life, 1st. One should know what he wants to engage in, 2nd. He should know how to succeed or operate said thing, 3rd. and most important is that he should know when to quit, or know when his usefulness is at an end, To have been a teacher or held a job for 54 yrs is no proof of the usefulness of the individual, To use a farmer's expression "to much in" a job is not called well done

the New Castle School board have been more charitab than consistent for 38 yrs to my own knowledge. there have been some old fossils as teachers endure. for 50 yrs, When a person in any position gets to old to be flexible enough to adjust them selves to the best interests of the job in hand they should retire, To prove they are incompetent they wont quit, this rule applies to any duty or occupation in life, Had I quit 10 yrs before I did I would have been better off but like old men I did not think so, there it is proof by the speaker, (?) I feel sure this letter will prove to you that I am philosopher but you will not make the mistake of teaching until You are 89. There are some more good old friends of mine that could be "laid on the shelf" profitably but dont do it, Which had better suffer an old teacher or 100 young men and women? You may say the Tenure law holds them in, Well the law is wrong if it results in keeping poor old souls on the pay roll, they must be able to perform well or quit.

I have always been interested in the schools of the country, "The Common Schools, the hope of our Country". Did you ever see that heading on a teachers license?, I saw it in 1882 - I am very glad to have had 7 yrs of my life as a teacher.

To emphasize the truthfulness of the last statement I will tell you that I was a guest and chief speaker at a memorial of the burning of the Ind State Normal Building in 1888, the 50th yr the school put on the memorial, the Convocation was pronounced a very impressive affair. I had the matter, the tragedy and the fire with its results well in hand, there were 15 old students & teachers present, My room mate (You know him) Prof Edwin N Canine, Supt of East Chicago schools for 20 yrs was with me, the big Normal hall had 500 people and the whole affair was the high point in my life, I have so neglected my public appearance that I thought I would be "stage struck" but I felt more at home than ever, the Pres, and public relations director with Prof J B Wisely, I was right at home

Now Prof Jessie, this letter is to express to you my delight also to tell you that Mrs Eiler and You and your boys are my best friends, I love all of you, I ask you as a dad would ask his son to continue steadfast in your church work, You are a leader more dearly loved by our church than any other man in it, You are carrying out the wishes of your best friend, H. B Roberts, Don't let a thing disturb your equilibrium, You are the best in the church and they all love you, Do you know that 7 of the greatest men in Indiana are methodists; the Gov. of Ind; Pres of State university; Pres of Depauw University; Terre Haute Normal; Ball State teacher college Mayor of New Castle and You,

I will see you soon, May you be happy. Yours Truly Edward Lawson

The EILER, EILAR, EYLER, ILER, OYLER and ASSOCIATED FAMILIES genealogical history, has been published. It contains approximately 5750 indexed given names, with dates of birth and death, in most instances, of the descendants of CONRAD ILLER-EYLER-EILER, the immigrant of this branch of the EILER family as well as many of the associated families.

There are 1156 family names listed in the index and approximately 150 others appear throughout the book. The index does not include the repetition of given names in families such as John Jacob, Mary Elizabeth, etc. However, they are included in the individual family records. The book contains names of many immigrants and descendants who were, and now are associated and intermarried with descendants of this branch of the family.

Also shown are immigrant ship lists, copies of Bureau of Archives Records, copies of Wills and Deeds and old letters and receipts with dates of 1784 and early 1800. Dates of immigration of some of the families listed are 1714, 1717, 1729, 1759 and 1778.

This book is especially helpful for persons doing genealogical research on any of the 1156 families found in the index. Locations of the families are principally in the states of Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia, Kentucky, Maryland, Ohio, Indiana and the Province of Ontario, Canada.

One hundred copies will be printed and may be secured by writing Dr. JOHN S. EILAR, 1523 Park Ave., S.W., Albuquerque, New Mexico 87104.

Price of the book, which covers my cost of printing only including mailing, is $20.65. It is an 8 1/2 by 11, hard back, bound volume of 344 pages.

I was sorry to hear of Howard's death. It was rather a shock to me as he could not have been too old a man. I believe you and the children will enjoy this family history

GREENTOWN, INDIANA,
JULY 29, 1937.

Mr. Jesse H. Eilar,
Newcastle,
Indiana.

My dear cousin:- It is with deep regret that I am sending you word that it will be impossible for me to attend the re-union on the coming Sunday. We had planned on attending all through the year, but circumstances have arisen that make it simply impossible.

I had been looking forward to seeing and visiting with friends and loved ones whom I had not seen for many years, and the change of plan makes me feel deeply regretful and disappointed.

If you would kindly convey to the assembled crowd my regrets, and, at the same time, my best wishes, I would appreciate the courtesy very highly.

Our conference will convene at Winona Lake, Indiana, on the 31st of August, and the remaining days of the year will be busy ones, to say the least. I have three churches, and will have to re-organize each of them; hold three quarterly conferences; oversee the election of officers in each; make a final drive to secure all finances in full; and just a few other necessary things that cannot be enumerated here. So you see I will be somewhat busy for the next four weeks.

If the Lawrences are there from Hamilton County, tell Susan that I would like to hear from her. She took quite a lot of care of me when I was a baby, and I always thought very much of her. I would have written her, but I didn't have her address. I knew it was Arcadia or Cicero but didn't know which one.

If Cousin John is there from Albe/qurketell him, please, to drive over to see me before he goes back to the west, if it is at all possible. Others that I would like very much to see will no doubt be there, and kindly remember me to them all.

With deep regret at my inability to be present, and a hearty and fervent wish that you may have a great time, I will subscribe myself, with all due respect,

Your cousin,

Wm. L. Eiler

Wm. L. Eiler.

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July 29, 1938

Mr. J. H. Eilar
1936 Broad Street
Newcastle, Indiana

Dear Mr. Eilar:

We feel that any reduction in price for our manuscripts, except for large quantities, would be unfair to our many clients, all of whom pay the standard rate. As you will note from the enclosed literature, however, some reduction in the charge is made for any two or three manuscripts purchased at one time.

No person or organization in the Palatinate is known to us who could supply material on the Eilar family; nor has this organization yet been able to compile a manuscript on the family. If at some later time we do, we shall take pleasure in notifying you.

Sincerely yours,

R. T. Patterson
R. T. Patterson
Director

RTP/MD

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August 6th, 1936.

Mr. J.H.Eilar
1936 Broad St.
New Castle Indiana.

Dear Cousin:Jesse:

Received your letter yesterday, and we are more than pleased to learn that you and Grace are planning to make a trip up here, and that we will have the pleasure of having you in our home, to continue thesplendid companionship which was so much enjoyed by us, during our visit in your homeand elsewhere, a few weeks ago.

As you will notice, from the announcement of our reunion, on the card, which you have surely received, ere this, your visit will be very fittingly timed, as including the Sunday on which it is to be held, i.e. August 16th 1936, at City Park , Warsaw.

As to the route to our place, we live on State Road #19, mid-way between Mentone and Etna Green, west of Warsaw, by way of Road #30, to Etna Green, thence south on #19, 4 miles, or by the way of Road #25, to Mentone, thence north on #19, four miles, either way being a good improved road, and equidistant.from Warsaw, which point you will have no trouble in finding, of course.

Will not write further, as we are expecting you soon, so until then,

Best Regards from your cousin

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C.O.Eiler. 10907

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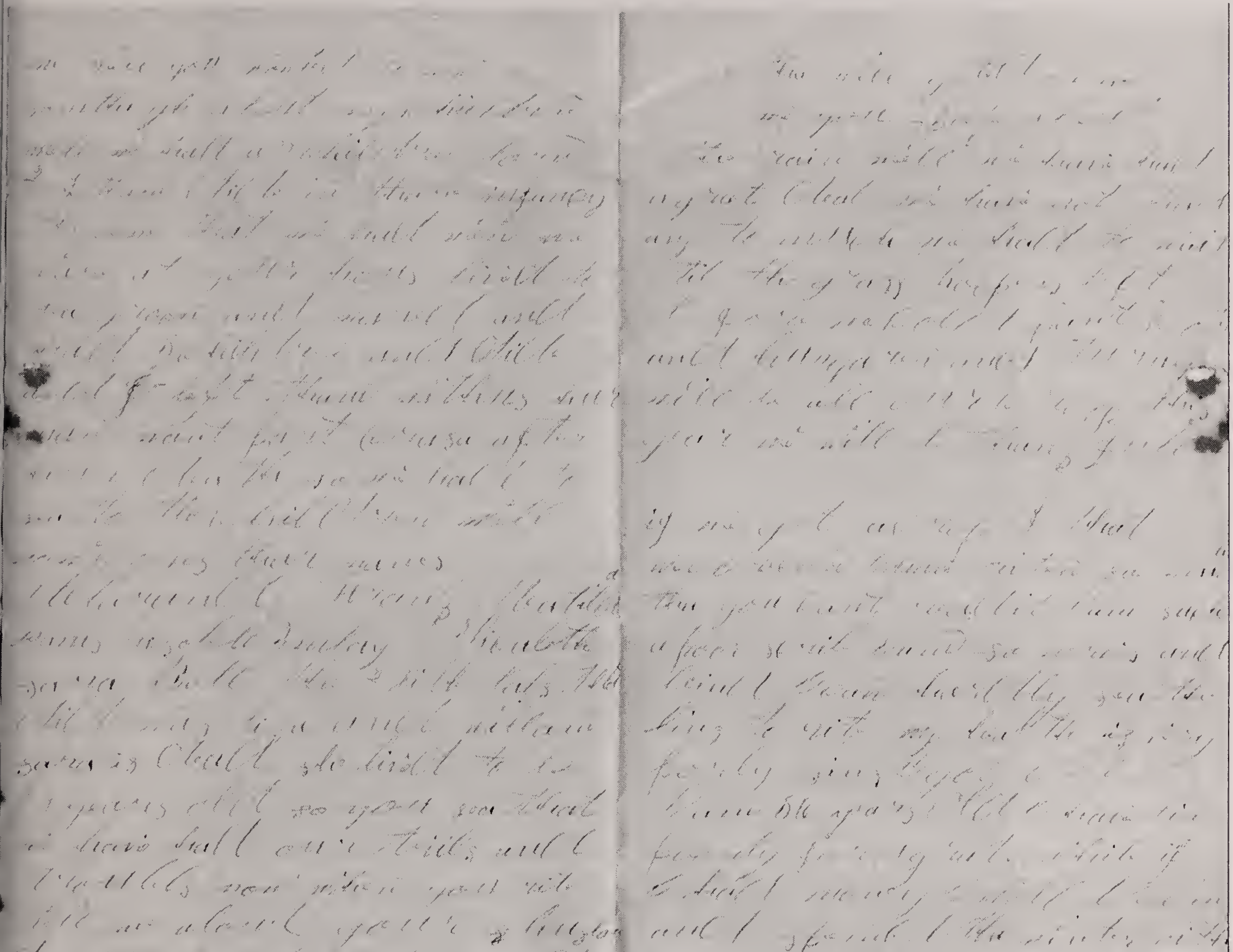

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Febuary 15th 1876

Dear Cousin this leaves all well and hope this will find you the same well we have had the warmest winter I ever saw we are a fraid our fruit will be killed a gain as the buds are be gin to swel now I got a leter from your brother Dave in novem I was so glad to hear from him he said you got my leter while you ware all to gether at your sale in August well I have not seen any leter from any of you sins what is the mater are you tired of my riten so I lond well you must exkuse me thinking a grate deal of my fathers folks it is a grate plesure for me to hear from any of you I recieved a leter from

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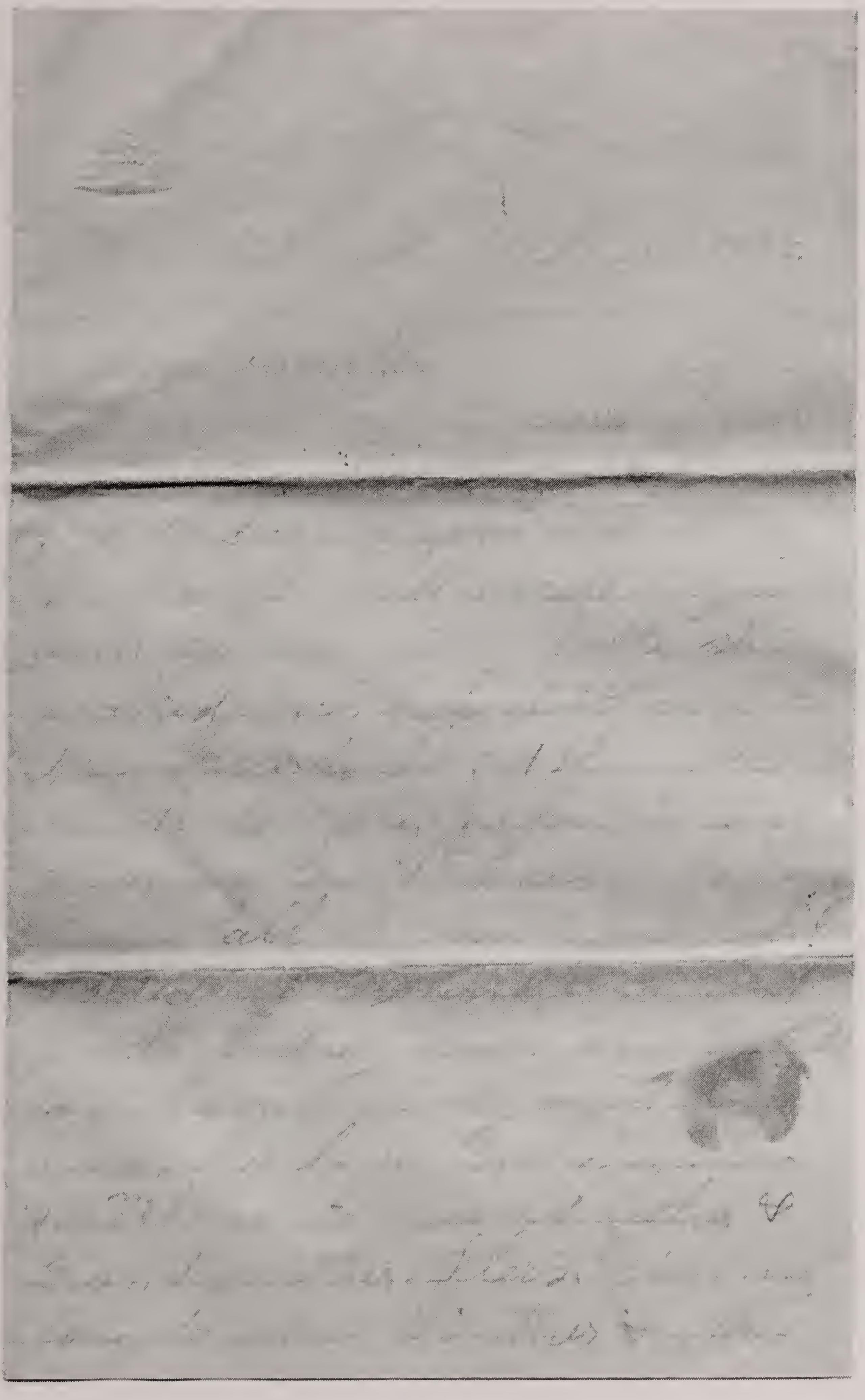

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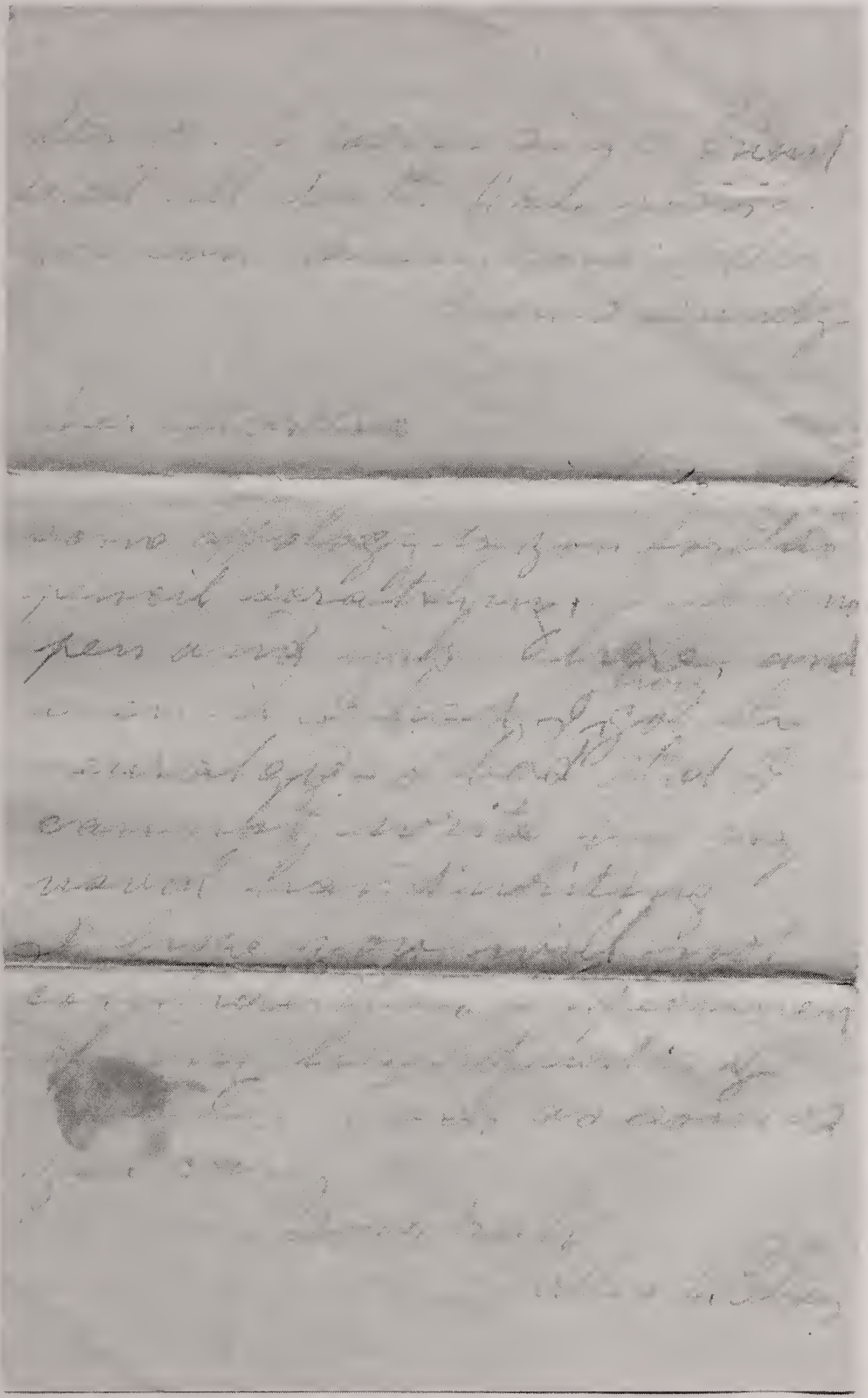

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Indianapolis Ind.
May 25th 1875

Jno. M. Eilar Esqr
My Dear Sir)

Your ever welcome letter Came to hand a few days Since. I was truly glad to hear from you and from the rest of the friends But Sincerely Sorry to hear of Grand-mother's death, Yet upon a moments reflection I find that She had lived over the allotted three Score and ten Years, which is a good round old age. Hers were years well Spent living as She did an ~~exemplary~~ exemplary life, or in other words one well worthy of imitation. I Knew her long and favorable and Knew her to be a pious and devoted Christian And do Sincerely trust She has a Home in Heaven, a reward She So richly merritted, John, death is certain to Come Sooner or later, it is a debt of nature we all owe and must pay, we are Called hence we Know not where we go nor what a waits us then how important and necessary that we Should live a true and unfeigned Christian life, never associating our-Selves with Corrupt and wicked ones. And above

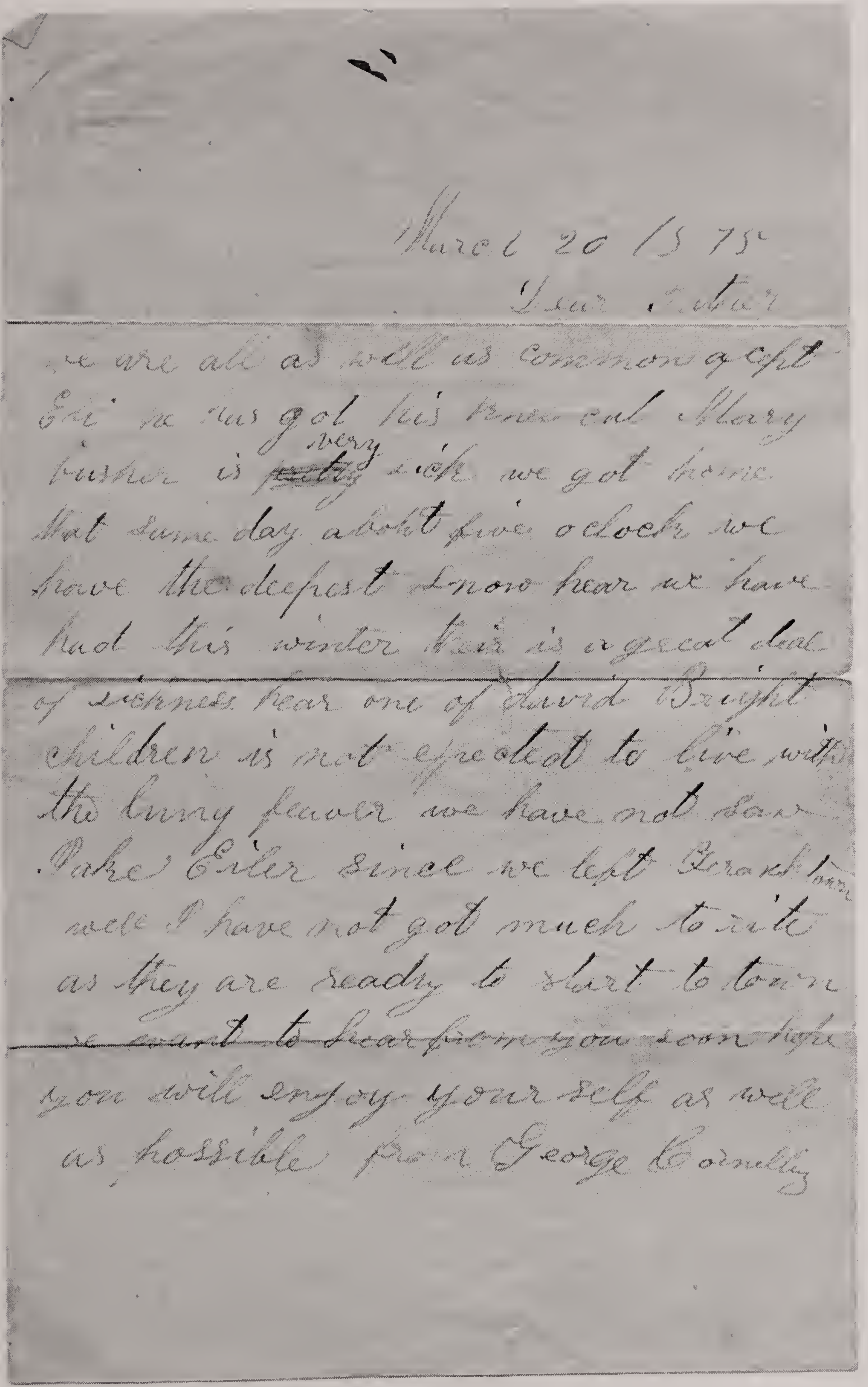
all things never touching or tasting anything that will intoxicate or make drunk Then when we come to die we can say "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith," and all will be well with us— John tell Esther that I am married and would like for her to come and see us. tell her that I married a Country girl— Tell your Grand-father to write to me. You write for him. Write Soon a long letter telling me all about every-thing.

Give my kindest regards to Grand-father and to Esther—Davis folks and your Fathers folks:— Write Soon

I am Your Friend
William D. Tobin

direct as before
94 East Washington St.

Are you farming and if so who is helping you? John, take my advice and put in all the time you can at School Get a good Education it will pay big interest on what it cost you—



March 20 1875
Dear Father

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Eri ne has got his knee cut Mary
fisher is ~~pretty~~ very sick we got home
that same day about five oclock we
have the deepest snow hear we have
had this winter there is a great deal
of sickness hear one of david Bright
children is not expected to live with
the lung feaver we have not saw
Jake Eiler since we left Grant town
well I have not got much to rite
as they are ready to start to town
we want to hear from you soon hope
you will enjoy your self as well
as possible from George Connelly

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Dec. 7th – 1936.

Jesse. H. Eiler
New Castle ind.

Dear. Sir yours of Nov 30th 1936. Come to Hand: will Say that Mr. Thomas J. Eiler. Who is Unknowen to me: has got my Name some what wrong: August. Rearnard J. Eiler. is the name: I have no Relations by the name of Valentine, that I have ever known of: altho I am Verry Glad to of heard from you. in regards to the Eiler Relationship:

as near as I Can Remember: my Great Grand fathers. Name Was Fred Oiler: who never Came to the U.S.A. died in ailsess Germany at an Old age: my Grand fathers Name Was also. Fred Oiler an only Child of the Old Oiler Family: he Came Over in the early 1800. to new York. then to Chicago Ill. where he had his name changed in the Cook County Court House: to. Fred Eiler: he had no Brothers. nor, Sisters: he lived for a numbe of years at Cairo Ill: then Moved to freeport. Ill. where his Children of 3 Boys. & 3 Girls Grew up and Married, and moved to diffrent parts of the U.S.A. thair names were.

Jones, John, Henry. Kate, Bertha. Nellie: all had large familys.

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Henry. Eiler was my Father.
my Father was the 4th youngest. he died in
Red Oak Iowa (7) years ago at the age 75 years.
- Uncle Jones Raised his family of 10 or 12 in
Chicago Ill. as he was a engliceer on the
C.M.&.St. P. Ry. untill Old age. When he was
Killed in the yards by a switch engine.
uncle John was a Engineer on the. C. B. & Q. Ry.
at Red Oak Iowa; he had a family of 9.
5 Boys. and 4 Girls. the Boys were Fred.
George. Henry. John. august.
there were 9 in Ouer Family. 5 boys. John
William, august. Otto. Charles. 4 Girls.
Bertha. Tillie. (Both died young). Clara. Lena.

If my Grand Father. Fred Eiler. Was now
living he woud be afout. 110 years Old.
he. Was about 80 when he did. Lived the
last of his life. Staying with my Uncle. Jones.
in Chicago. Ill

Hoping this may be of some Value to
your Resurch. I Remain
Yours. Respectfully.

A. B. Eiler.
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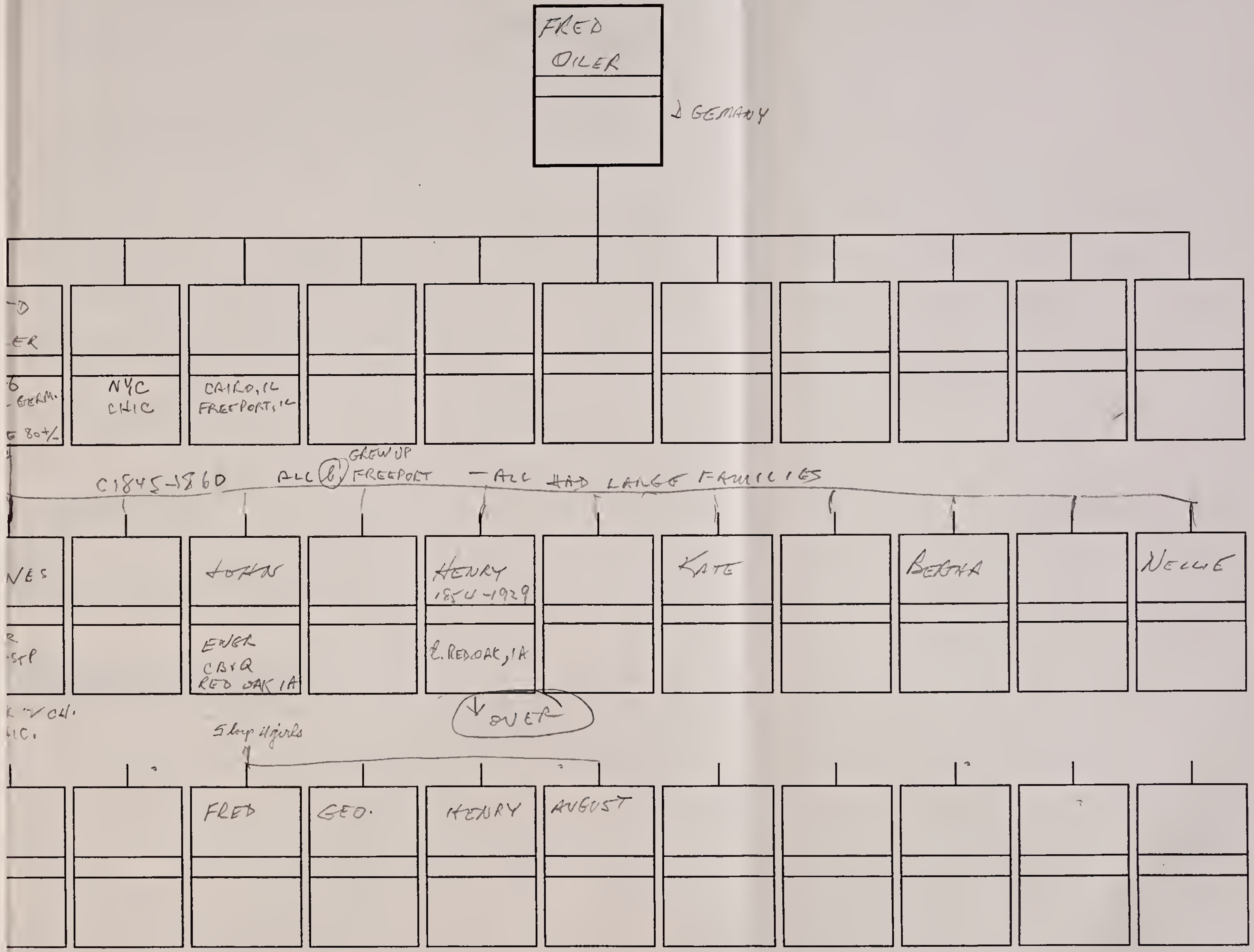
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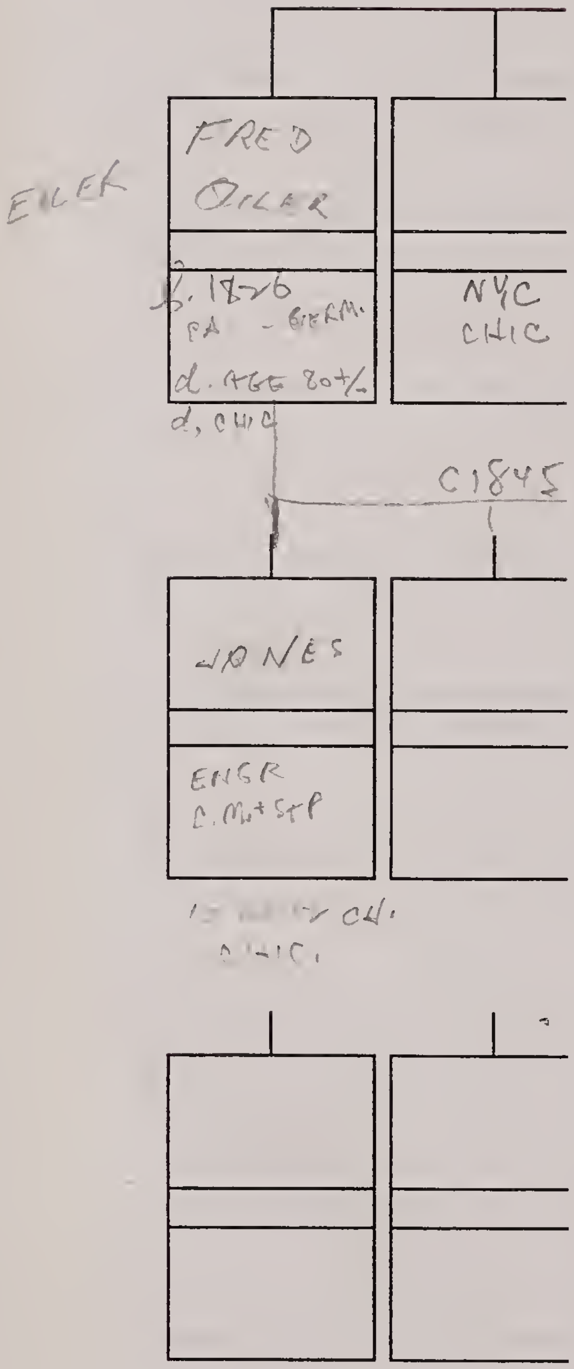
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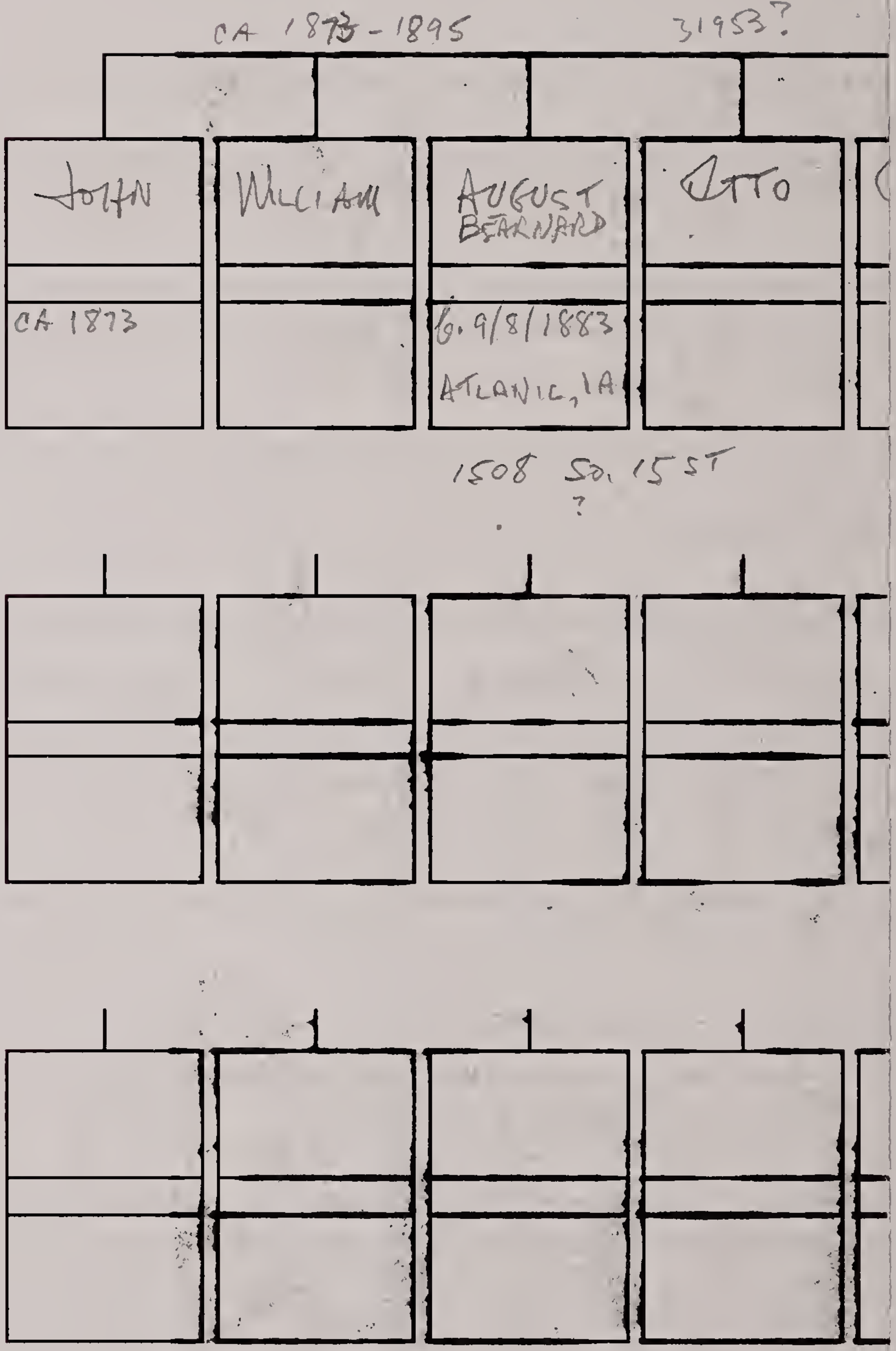
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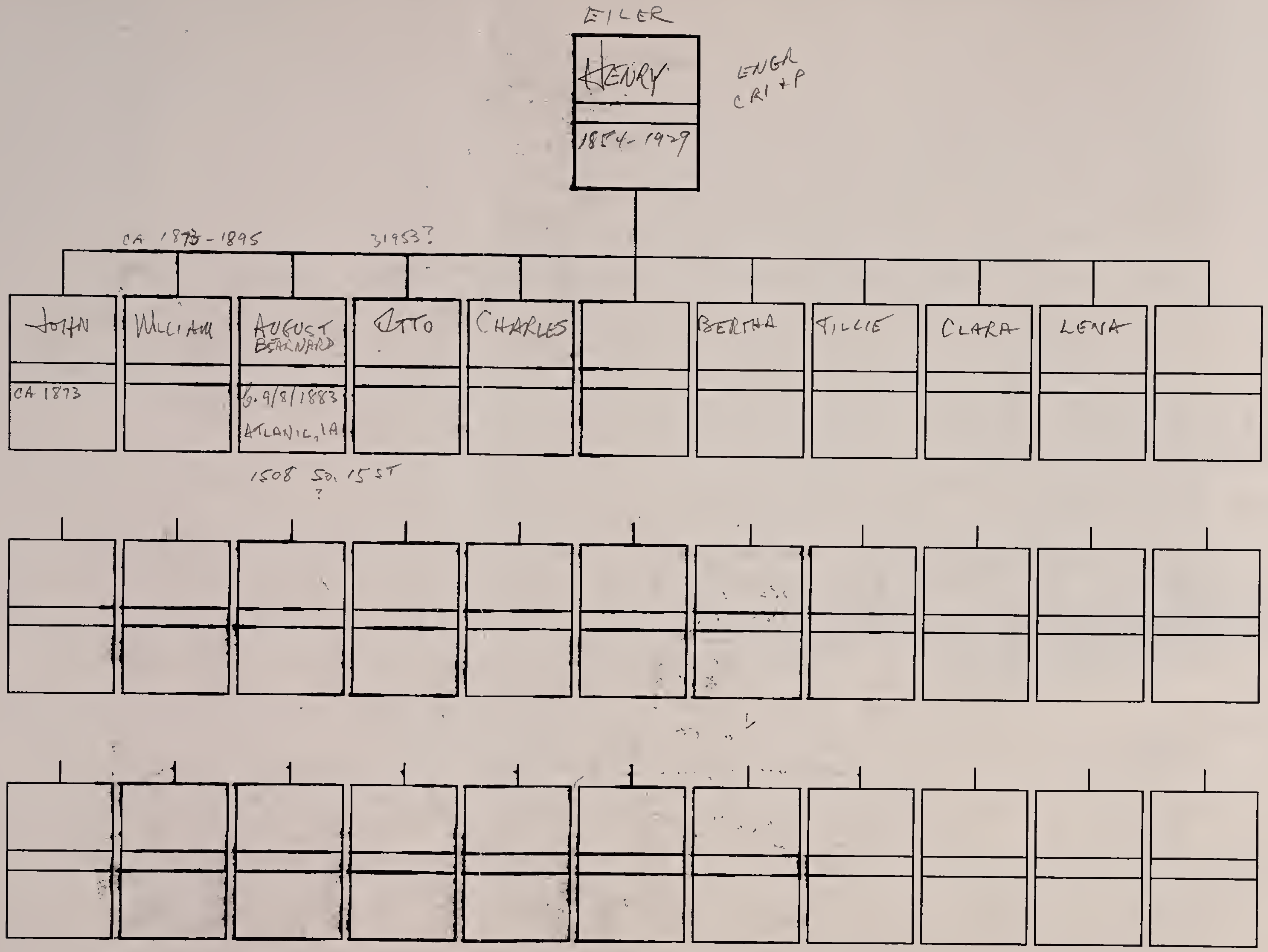
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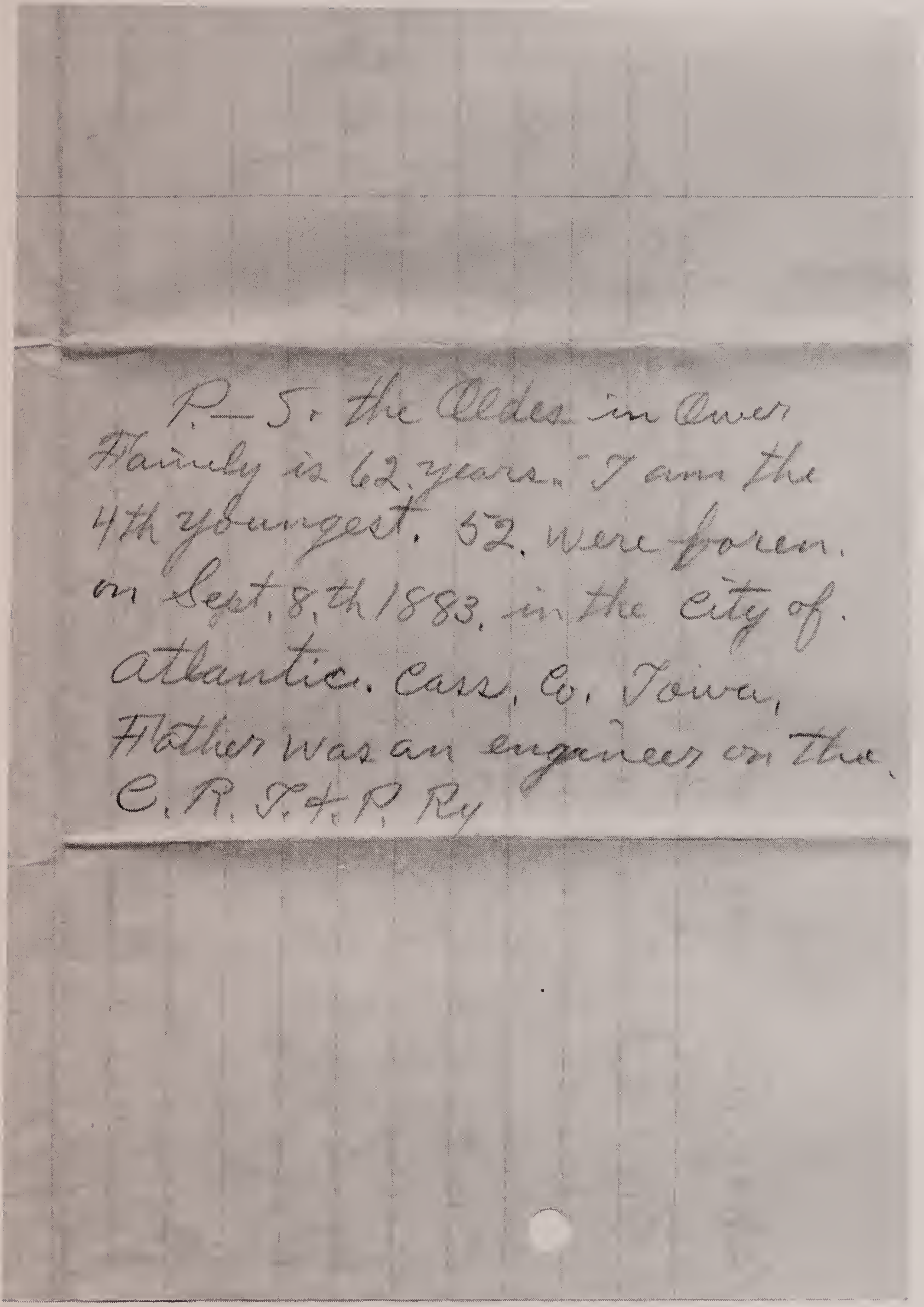

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Department of Education
Henry County, Newcastle, Indiana

Dear Sir:

In accordance with your request of recent date, we have forwarded to you a copy of our Genealogical Catalogue.

We are sorry to report that we have nothing in stock on the Eilar or Elier Family nor do we know of anything ever published on this subject.

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Ernest Drumm
City Conservatory

Zweibrücken, July 9, 1938
Eitersbergstrasse 29.
(Germany)

My very dear Mr. Eilar,

I did not receive your letter of Jan. 10, 1938, until to-day, that was left with the Mayor to be given consideration June 3rd, 1938.

I am overjoyed about it, because you have never-the less fought out the German language, and that you are proud of your German origin, and it seems to me that you have sent for a history of yodr family. You can be especially proud of your family name of Eilar; for they have always held a high rank among the people.

It also happens, however, that others wish for a family tree of the Eilar family. Therefore work has already been begun by interested persons, and I myself know of much research work being done on the Eilar family. For one of these, I myself am already doing some research work. I am prepared [redacted] on this family tree, and hope that we can be of help to each other, because I do not possess much material, for it is pleasant to communicate with the address of this Mr, Eilar.

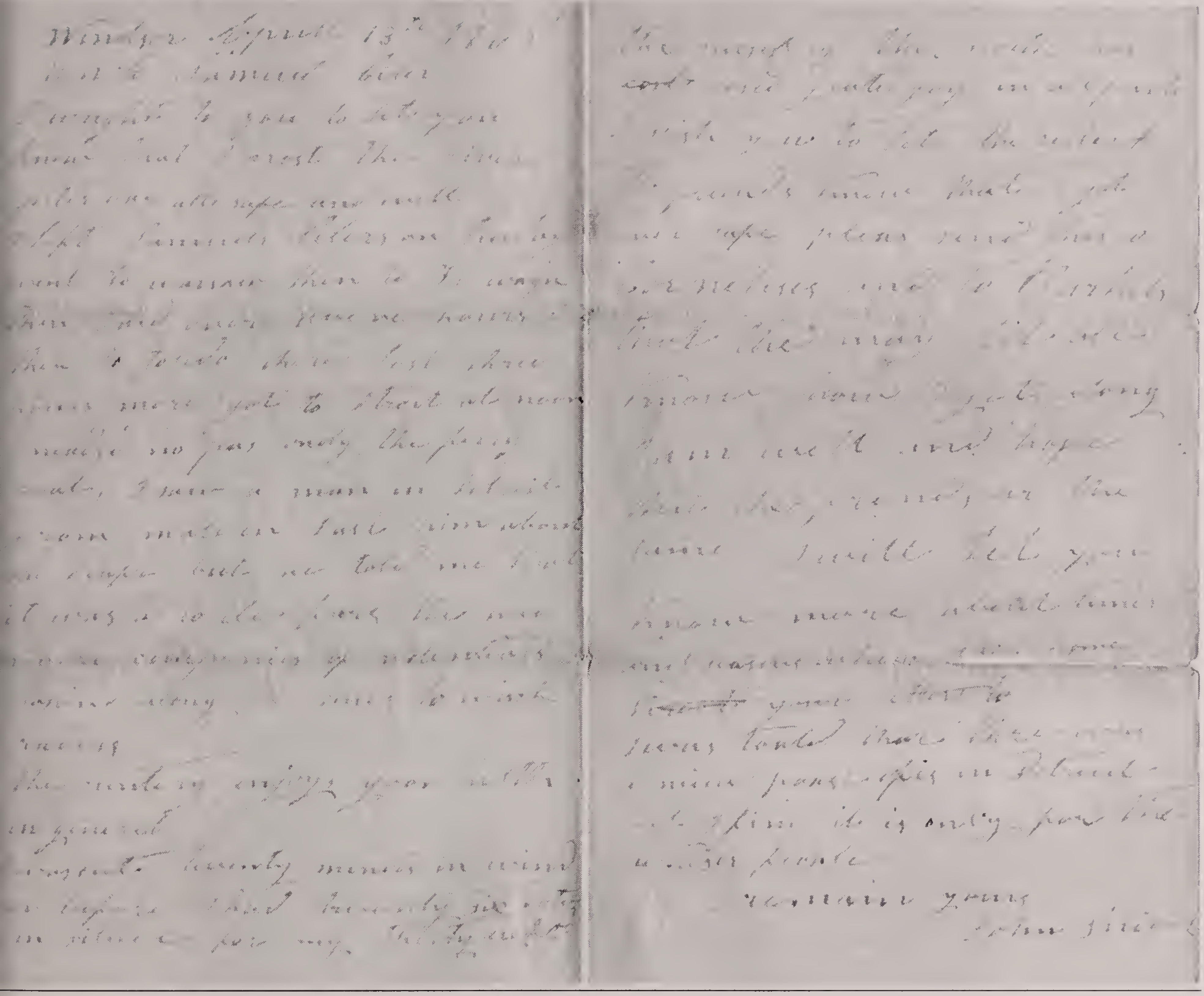
The Eilar family came from Switzerland and settled at the city of Zweibrücken and sometimes stayed at Fürstentum (A prince's home?) You yourself know that they then went out over the great domain of the German Empire, yes, even to foreign countries. The Konrad Eilar you are looking for did not come ~~to~~ from Zweibrucken. We hope that an old family

tree would clear up your ancestry.

To cover my own cost, I request of you, if I shall pursue the affair, to send me something like $5 to conduct it, and I will in return send you a small book of mine, which contains the latest reports, and shows that the victory of the troops at Yorktown in 1783 was made possible by the German people.

I wish you much luck.

Ernest Drumm



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September the 22th 1867

Dear Parents we take the opportunity of informing you that we are in common health Susan is about the same as she has been for some time Laura Rise is not well she has had a congestive chill or the worst thing but the ballance of the relatives are in usual health at this time William Moon and Ellen had the chill fever but at this time are up and about the cause of my writing at this time is we have appointed our communion on the nineteenth (19) of Oct and we invite you all that feel disposed to come and be with us at that time we want you to give the invitation to your labouring Brethren who labour in the word and ministry to be with us and partake with us at our love-feast meeting i can not tell as yet whether I can come to your meeting or not I will try to come I will have to bring my remarks to a close as i have other letters to write wishing you all well and giving our best respects to you and to all Enquiring friends Samuel Eller

Susannah Eller

OFFICE MILITARY COMMANDER,

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., Nov. 14th 1865.

Grand Father Eiler.

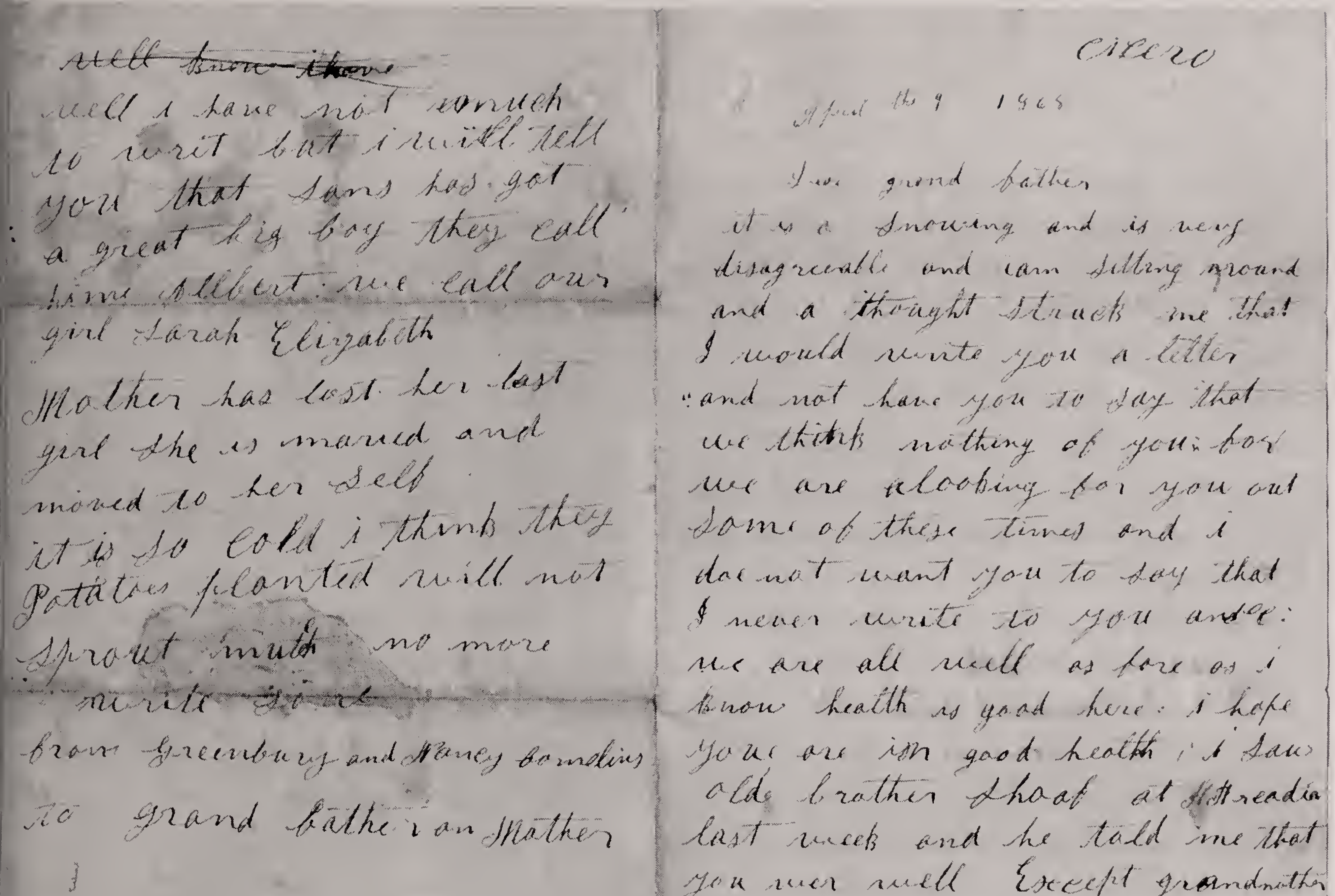
Dear Sir.

With pleasure I endeavor. to write a line. to You. for I know you will be glad. to hear from the folks. up at Home, and prehaps, glad to learn that I am still in the land of the living I have been wanting to write to You for some time but kept delaying it until Now. I was up at Home over Sunday=last. Father Cornelius. is in very Ill. health, and has been for some time. His breast. hurts him a great deal, besides. he has. the ague. every other, day, and he is now getting very much reduced. the balance of the Family. and also the connection as far as I know, are in good health. The folks. at home have received Your letter informing them of. the sad accident that happened to Your little Grand Son. We all feel very sorry that such an accident shold happen but hope. he may get well. and not loose the entire use of his arm. I am still in the Service, yet. My (over)

Regiment has not been mustered out, and I cannot get out until it Comes home. I am still at Indianapolis. but not at the Soldiers home anymore. I left it in July. and am now clerking for the Post Commander at night I am going to Commercial College. I learn a great deal in this way; but I had much rather be out of the Service. I am heartily tired of it, now that the war is over. I feel that I have done my duty. and would like again to be a Citizen, My Regt is expected home between this & Christmas. my health is very Good. I hope this may find You & family in good health. We would all of us like very much to see You out here again, Mollie & I, have been wanting to come in to Pay You a visit, but I dont know when we shal get to make it. if I get out of the service. prehaps we will come in toward Spring. I have no news to write at length, I start in a few minutes to Louisville Ky. with some prisoners. will be back to morrow night I Should be very glad to have a letter from You. soon & how how You are all getting along.

My love to You & to Grand Ma. & Aunt Het.

With much respect, &c Leroy. T. Dick.



Cicero

April the 9 1868

Dear grand father

it is a Snowing and is very
disagreeable and iam sitting around
and a thought Struck me that
I would write you a letter
and not have you to say that
we think nothing of you: for
we are alooking for you out
Some of these times and i
doe not want you to say that
I never write to you and c:
we are all well as fare as i
know health is good here: i hope
you are in good health: i saw
olde brother Shoaf at Arcadia
last week and he told me that
you wer well Except grandmother
and She was troubled with
her Cough: he was her at
his Brother Burying

well ~~have there~~
well i have not somuch
to writ but i will tell
you that Sams has got
a great big boy they call
him Allbert: we call our
girl Sarah Elizabeth
Mother has lost her last
girl She is maried and
moved to her Self
it is So Cold i think they
Potatoes planted will not
Sprout much no more
write Soon

from Greenbury and Nancy Bowdins

to Grand father an Mother

we are sorry to tell you
if you have not allready heard
of the death of Letty Jane Keck
that is Nancy sister and how she
came by it was on the 22
day of January and Fatty was a
halling corn to Arcadia and her
two boys was at school and
her and her little girl fine
year old was at home and she
left the little gril in house and
went out to the barn to get
some eggs and clumb up the
corner of an old log stable
and fell must have fell back
wards for she was a laying on
they back of [illegible] her head and
neck and was killed instantly
that is supposed so they was
know one by when it hapend
and the little girl went out
and found her and she though
her mother was asleep
and kised her and told
her to get up and not
sleep there she would get
cold to get up and go to
they house the child did not
know that her mother was
dead and she lay there till
they boys came home frome
school and went to the barn
to feed and saw her a
laying ther and they run
to they neighbors and they
caried her to they house
and they sent for Fatty and
he got word they said he
bouled have ben herd a mille
for to think that he had
left her well and livly about
two hours before and
know one to see her die it was
a shock to all that knew her for she was loved by all.

If you have your likenesses taken I would
be very glad to have you send them
direct to Colchester P.O. Essex Co. C.W.

Colchester July 30th 1860

Dear Uncel & Aunt

No doubt you will be at a loss to know, when you commence reading these few lines, who has written this to you, so I will tell you who I am, my name is Hannah Iler your Nephew Samuel Iler's daughter Your letter which you sent to Uncle Jake Arrived here on the 28 inst we were very glad to hear from our far off Uncle & Aunt happy also to hear you are still living enjoying good health as would be expected of persons at your age, perhaps you may think it strange for me to write to those I never saw, but it being the request of my Parents for me to write to you and also my desire to have a correspondence with you, I thought I would write

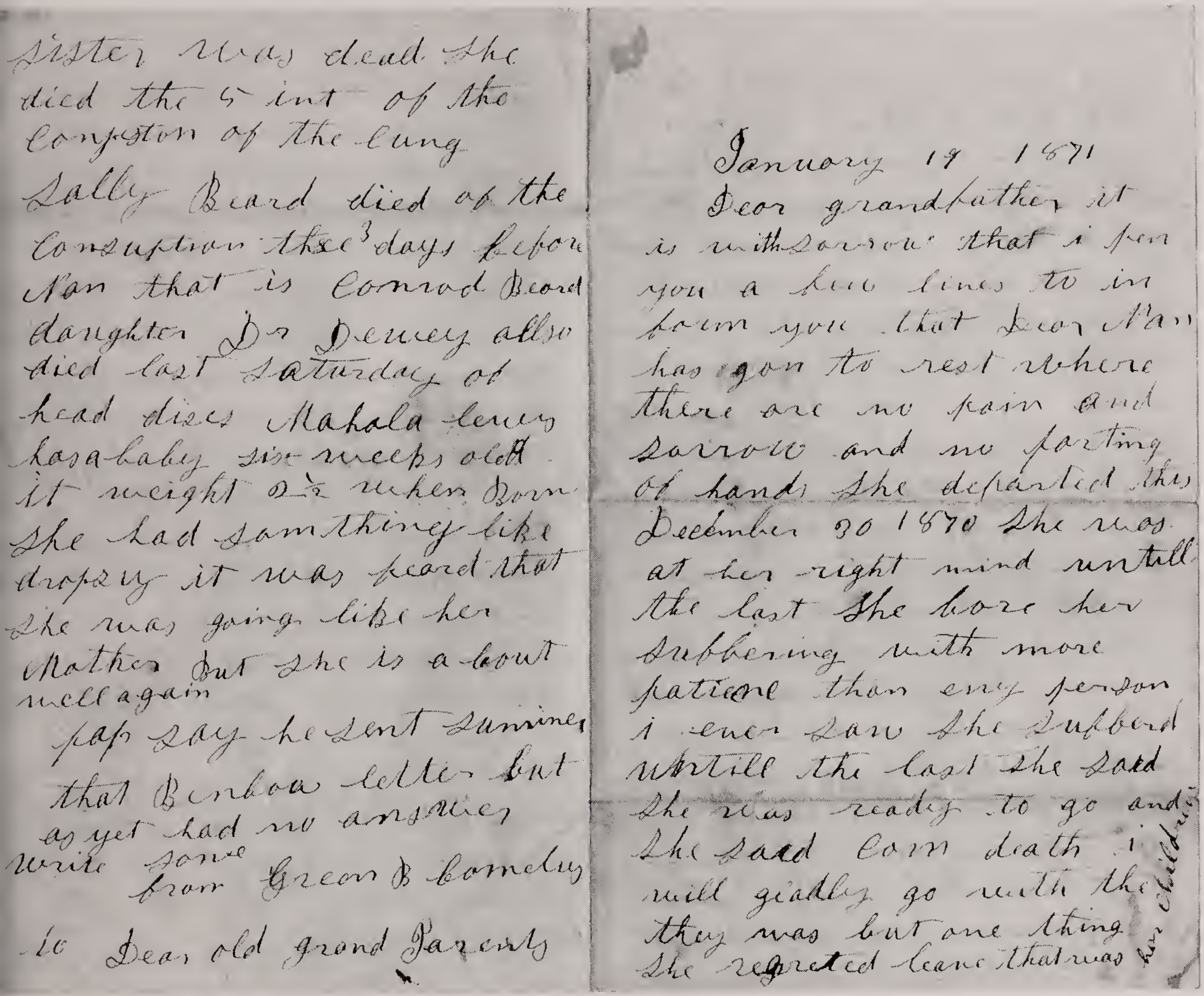
The wheat harvest is very good here

pride being dead - I think she died about 4 years ago, her name is almost forgot, so one generation passeth and another cometh, I suppose Uncle you often wonder and breathe up a silent prayer for us concerning our souls, I can tell you for one Dear Uncle that I am striving to enter in at the straight gate that leads to life everlasting, about three years ago I felt that blood that cleanseth from all sin had washed mine ~~sin~~ away,) and I have been trying with much weakness fear and trembling to work out my soul salvation, [illegible] & twenty two of my first cousins with my self belong to the regular baptist church, the Methodist here far exceed the Baptist in number but the Lord blesses the little flocks as well as those of great number remember us in your prayers for we are told the prayers of the righteous availeth much, may God bless us all and save us in Heaven at last that if we never meet in this world of sin that we may be so unspeakable happy to have each other company in that bright world above, please write your give my love to all your childre except the same for your self Father & Mother both send there best respects and warmest love to both of you goodbye

Hannah Ann Iler

to let you know, that your relatives in Canada has not forgotten you your friends here, are well & enjoying the comforts and blessing which our bountiful Father giveth, there's not been one an other died since Grand Mother's death, if Grandfather was living, he could say he had nearly 70 grandchildren & about 40 great grandchildren, so you can see your relation in Canada are not decreasing, but rather to the increase, it would be a great pleasure to them if you would come out and make us a long visit I wish you could persuade Aunt to come too, no doubt she would feel timid about going on the cars, but the Lord is as able & willing to protect her there as he ~~in~~ does when she's at home, I think myself it would be a very tiresome journey for either of you to undertake.

I suppose you think some of your friends here ought to go and see you, Father often says he would like so well to go and see you, but I do not think he will ever get of for you know the Olds are great folks to stay at home, they doubtless would all go to see you if you did not live so far away, if you will come and see us please write to let us know when you are going to start, You said in your letter you had one daughter living with you, how old is she & what is her name please tell her to write to me and I would gladly answer her letter, I have one brother and sister older than my self & three brothers two sisters younger we are all living at home yet except my eldest brother who [illegible] has been married nearly two years, by what you said in your letter it seems as if you had not heard of Aunt Polly



sister was dead She
died the 5 int of the
Congeston of the lung
Sally Beard died of the
Consuption thee 3 days befor
Nan that is Conrad Beard
daughter Dr Dewey allso
died last Saturday of
head dises Mahala lewis
has a baby six weeks old
it weight 2½ when Born
She had samthing like
dropsy it was feard that
She was going like her
Mother But she is a bout
well again
pap say he sent Summer
that Benbow letter but
as yet had no answer
write some
from Green B Cornely

to Dear old grand Parents

January 19 1871
Dear grandfather it
is with sorrow that i pen
you a few lines to in
form you that Dear Nan
has gon to rest where
there are no pain and
sorrow and no parting
of hands She departed this
December 30 1870 She was
at her right mind untill
the last She bore her
suffering with more
patience than eny person
i ever saw She suffered
untill the last she said
She was ready to go and
She said Com death i
will gladly go with the
they was but one thing
She regreted leave that was her children

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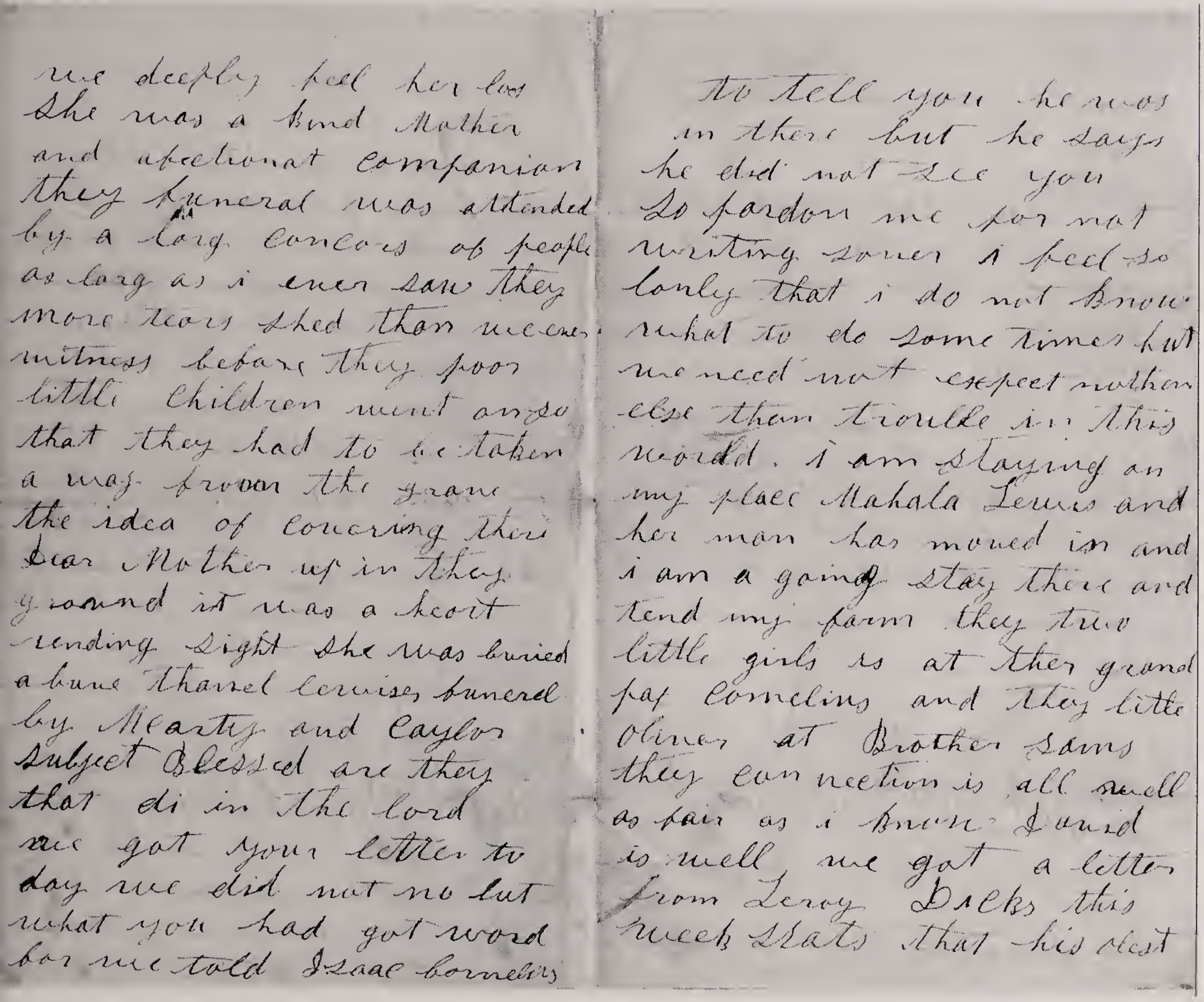

we deeply feel her loss
She was a kind Mother
and affectionat companion
they funeral was attended
by a larg concors of people
as larg as i ever saw they
more tears shed than we ever
witness before they poor
little Children went on so
that they had to be taken
a way froom the grave
the idea of covering their
dear Mother up in they
ground it was a heart
rending sight she was buried
a bove thanel lewises funerel
by Mcarty and Caylor
Subject Blessed are they
that di in the lord
we got your letter to
day we did not no but
what you had got word
for we told Isaac Cornelius

to tell you he was
in there but he says
he did not see you
So pardon me for not
writing soner i feel so
lonly that i do not know
what to do some times but
we need not expect nothen
else than trouble in this
world. i am staying on
my place Mahala Lewis and
her man has moved in and
i am a going stay there and
tend my farm they two
little girls is at ther grand
pap Cornelius and they little
Oliver at Brother Sams
they con nection is all well
as far as i know David
is well we got a letter
from Leroy Dicks this
week stats that his dest

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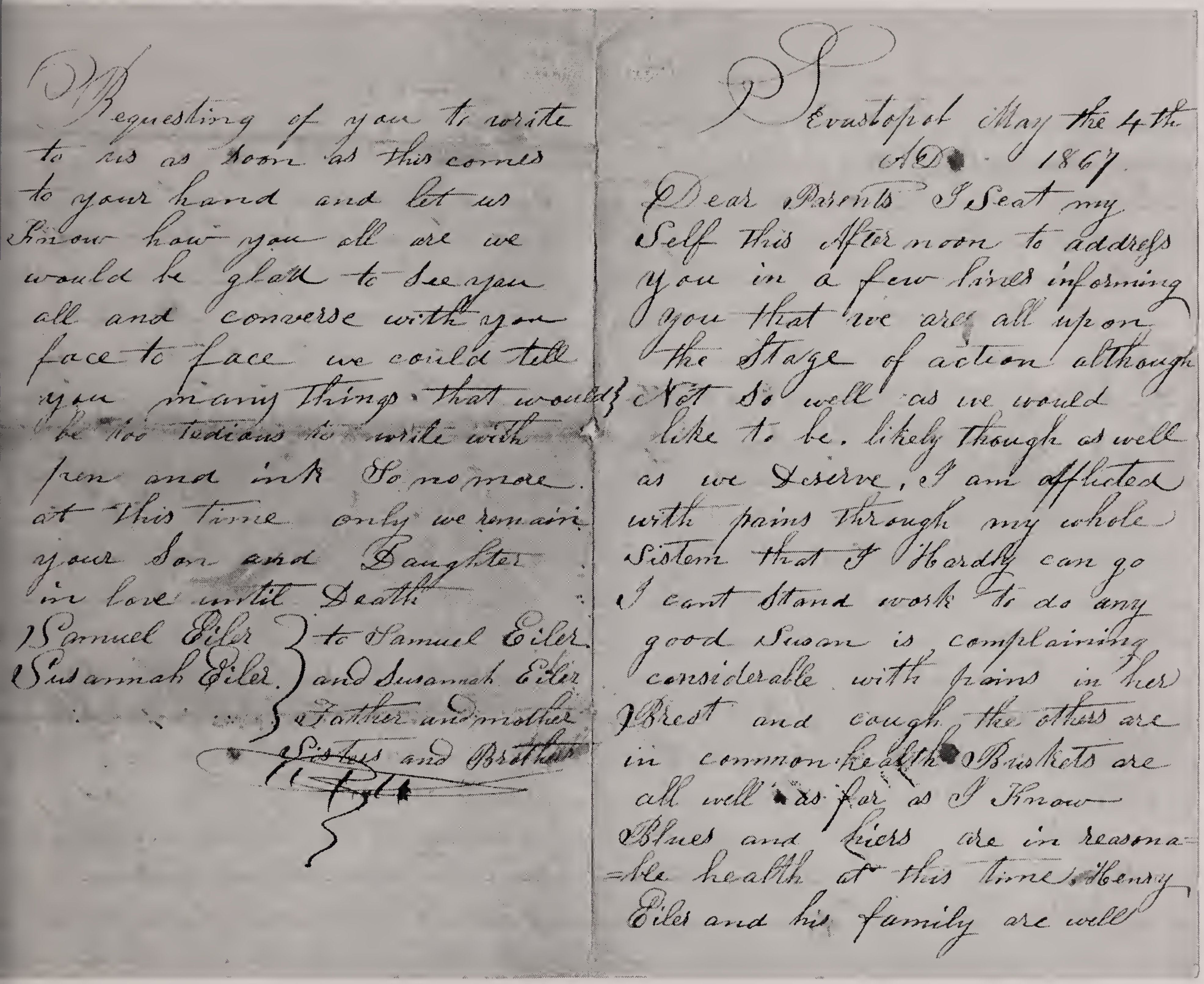

Sevastopol May the 4th
AD 1867.

Dear Parents I Seat my Self this After noon to addreſs you in a few lines informing you that we are all upon the Stage of action although Not So well as we would like to be. likely though as well as we Deserve, I am afflicted with pains through my whole Sistem that I Hardly can go I cant Stand work to do any good Susan is complaining considerable with pains in her Brest and cough the others are in common health Buskets are all well as far as I Know Blues and Liers are in reasonable health at this time, Henry Eiler and his family are well

Requesting of you to write to us as soon as this comes to your hand and let us Know how you all are we would be glad to see you all and converse with you face to face we could tell you many things that would be too tedious to write with pen and ink So no more at this time only we remain your Son and Daughter in love until Death

Samuel Eiler
Susannah Eiler.

to Samuel Eiler
and Susannah Eiler
Father and mother
Sisters and Brothers

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I was Down on Eelriver at mexico last friday and Satturday at our Destrict Council meeting and I was two nights at Daniel Balsbaughs hatt meeting at their School house on thursday evening on going Down and on my return on Satturday evening meeting at the Same place and on Sunday at earniests and found them all well and Keefers was well I was at Samuel Lewis' they was all well I Saw none of John Richardsons neither Did I hear from them, I will inform you that we have a very cold backwars Spring Every thing late in putting forth folks ar behind in plowin for corn to Day it is raining ad has the appearing of Setting in wett

Wheat Crops as a general thing look nice mine Dont look as nice as I would like I Sowed year before last wheat and So much of it Did not grow, I made Sale of my hogs that I was feedin for Spring market twenty is taken away and the other thirteen I keep until the twentieth of this month I got five and a half cents per lb and now I will Say to you that I hear nothing of Dave Eiler I know not where he is and what he is doing I saw Different ones from the Salimony at the meeting and none of them could tell me any thing about him only they had heared that him and his wife hatt parted Now father I believe I hav written all that I know to write

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DR. J. S. EILAR
DENTAL SURGEON
512 FIRST NAT'L BANK BLDG.
ALBUQUERQUE, N. M.

Jan. 13 1936.

Dear Jess:

If you are dead, please give me the date of your demiss. So far as I know you are still living, but my correspondence with you does not show this to be a fact.

I have nearly all the decendents dated and charted from "Old Samuel" to the present day. Quite a job but I have them. I am now working on the family from 1745 on back. I have had all kinds of reference work on this period, from Pennsylvania and Canada. In one reference I find the name Ayler, changed to Eiler. Lottie Bausman says, " I do not favor the name Euler but Eiller and Eyler". She also says, "About the land Conrad Eyler bought in 1738. That statement is not properly placed, the 200 acres he took up was only by "Warrent" and not his until he got a Patent for it".

I have not gone into this thoroughly yet, but hope to later on. I am still clinging to the Euler or Oiler. If Conrad came to the Colonies before 1704 it is very probable that he came to N.Y. and then the family migrated to Penn. This opinion is based on referencees I have studied, and I have looked at a lot of them.

The name on the old receipt may have a great bearing on my locateing W.Conrad, so I want you to study it and make sure if it is OGLE, Ogel, or Ogilvie. I redd it Ogle.

For heavens sake send me a copy of all the old letters and docments you have that may be of interest in this history. In looking for the Eilars,I found my great great great grandfather on my mother's side. He came over in April 1714. from practically the same part of Germany we are from. However he was a free man and other references show his migration, I am not so sure about W. Conrad being endentured, if he was where inthe dickens did he get the money for this receipt. Unless he had worked out his endenture before 1704, which would make hime come over here in 1700. I tryed to place him on the CONCORD a ship called the Mayflower of the Germans but could not. He may have been a servant, brought over here dureing the early colonization, as references show many came that way.

If the motion picture "Captian Blood" has been in Newcastle I hope you saw it. If not don't miss it. It certainly fits in with the early time of our family. Notice the old Mennonite who quotes the bible when he kills someone. He thoroughly portrays our people of that time.

Let me hear from you.

Sincerely

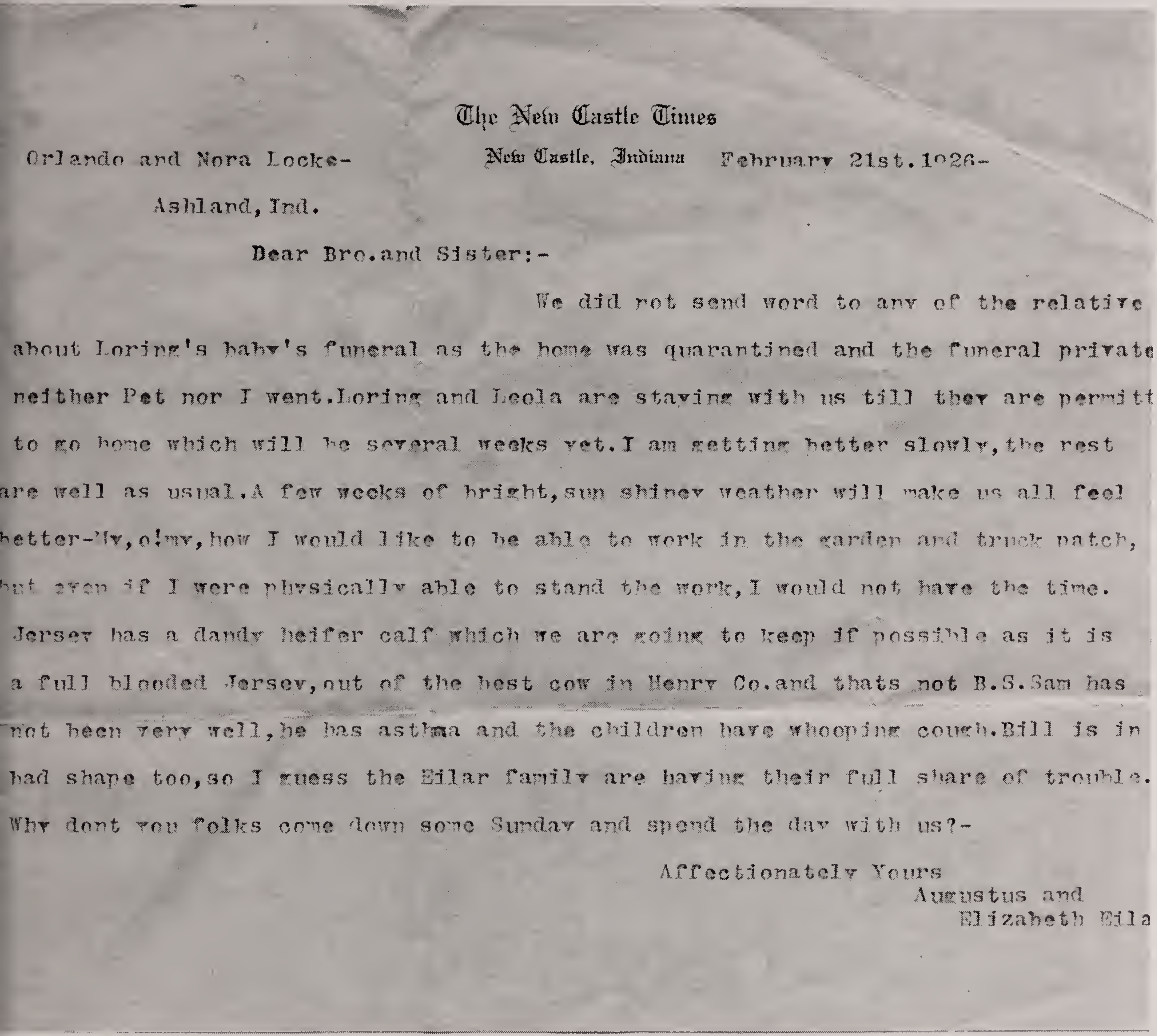
over J. S.

I have heard from August Hans Von Euler, and his son Sten. Their family is charted from I594 to I740 and W. Conrad does not appear, However this is only one branch, there was another branch which had gone up into Germany pyror to I700.

Did you get the old letter and receipts I returned to you? I sent them registered?

These are the three I kept. I would like to have the one written in I837 which connects the two branches. The David Iler who wrote these letters didn't leave such a good record, and most of his children weren't so hot, according to a relative in Canada. However this doesn't matter to me. I pay no attention to such things, the only thing I am interested in,is a complete record of dates and names of the entire family, be they good or bad, I claim themm all.

Are there any war records inthe Daniel line other than Bill? We have none on our side. Do you know of any Eiler or Eilar ever having been in any of our wars?



The New Castle Times
New Castle, Indiana

Orlando and Nora Locke-
Ashland, Ind.

February 21st.1926-

Dear Bro.and Sister:-

We did not send word to any of the relativ about Loring's baby's funeral as the home was quarantined and the funeral privat neither Pet nor I went.Loring and Leola are staying with us till they are permitt to go home which will be several weeks yet.I am getting better slowly,the rest are well as usual.A few weeks of bright,sun shiney weather will make us all feel better-My,o!my,how I would like to be able to work in the garden and truck patch, but even if I were physically able to stand the work,I would not have the time. Jersey has a dandy heifer calf which we are going to keep if possible as it is a full blooded Jersey,out of the best cow in Henry Co.and thats not B.S.Sam has not been very well,he has asthma and the children have whooping cough.Bill is in bad shape too,so I guess the Eilar family are having their full share of trouble. Why dont you folks come down some Sunday and spend the day with us?-

Affectionately Yours
Augustus and
Elizabeth Eila

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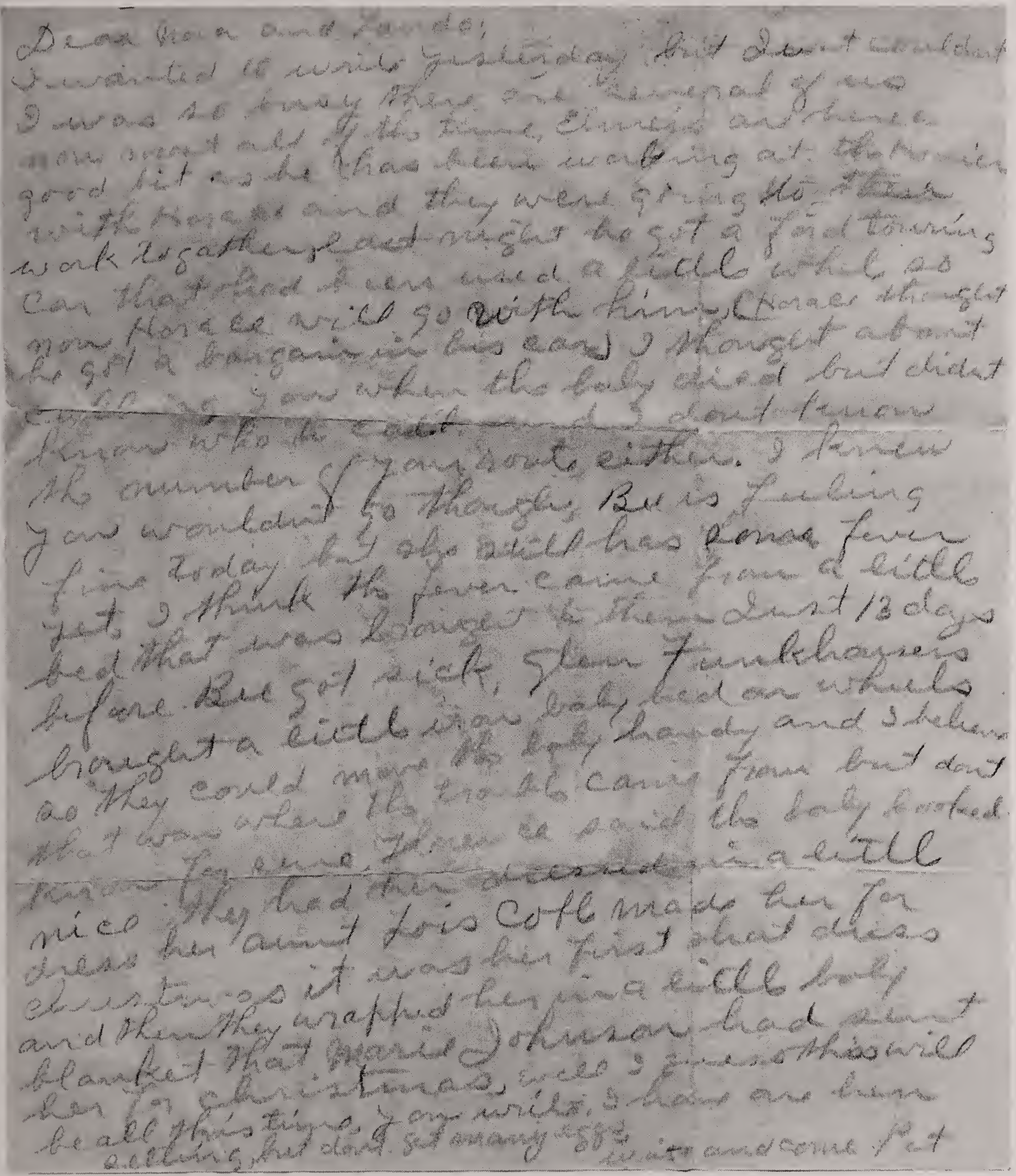

Dear Nora and Lando;
I wanted to write yesterday but I dont couldnt
I was so busy there one [illegible] of us
now most all of the time, Emery's and Horace
good bit as he has been working at the [illegible]
with Horace and they were going the [illegible]
work together last night he got a ford touring
car that he had been used a little while so
now Horace will go with him, (Horace thought
he got a bargain in his car) I thought about
[illegible] you when the baby died but didnt
[illegible] I dont know
know who to call [illegible] either. I knew
the number of [illegible] though, Bu is feeling
you wouldnt [illegible] she still has some fever
fine today but the fever came from a little
yet, I think the [illegible] Just 13 days
bed that was bought
before Bu got sick, Glenn Funkhousers
baby bed on wheels
bought a little iron baby [illegible] handy and I believe
so they could move the [illegible] trouble came from but dont
know where the [illegible] said the baby looked
[illegible] in a little
nice they had her [illegible] made her for
dress her aunt Lois Cobb [illegible] that dress
christmas it was her first [illegible] a little baby
and then they wrapped her in a little baby
blanket that Marie Johnson had sent
her for Christmas, well I guess this will
be all this time, you write, I have one been
setting, but dont get many eggs
[illegible] and come [illegible]

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August 27, 1931

Mr. J. H. Eilar,
County Supt. of Schools,
Department of Education,
Newcastle, Indiana

Dear Mr. Eilar:-

Replying to your letter of ------ August 25th ------------ would advise that the Department was not organized until the year 1880, therefore, we are unable to furnish a record of -- birth or marriage ---- for ------------- Valentine Eilar ----------------, who is said to have ---------- ~~---~~ been born ~~xxx~~ ~~about~~ 1745 --- at ~~---~~ ---------------------.

It may be possible for you to obtain information concerning record in which you are interested from --------- ~~---~~ ---------------, Local Registrar of Vital Statistics of ------------ ~~---~~ -------------- at -------- ~~---~~ ------------------------ or from the Manuscripts and History Section, New York State Library, New York State Department of Education at Albany, N. Y.

Very truly yours

J. V. DePorte
Director, Division of
Vital Statistics

JAM-

P. S. When a birth certificate can not be obtained for Old Age Relief, the New York State Department of Social Welfare will take into consideration some other proof of age, such as a baptismal certificate, marriage certificate or citizenship papers, and we would suggest that you communicate with that department.

1936 Broad Street

Newcastle, Indiana

Sept. 1, 1937

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Office Recorder (Wills)
Dayton, Ohio

Sirs:

On or about Dec. 13, 1813, the will of VALENTINE EILER is recorded with you. His death occurred on that date; the will is a matter of record, according to Dr. J.S. Eilar, of Albuquerque, New Mexico.

I am wondering if you could see if the following two questions are answered in the will.

1. Are the names of Valentine's parents mentioned in this will? If so, what are they?
2. Is his birthplace, or that of his wife, Susannah Culp Eiler, mentioned? If so, where in Pennsylvania were they born?

If this service is asking too much of you, kindly let me know, and I may be able to drive to Dayton, if I may examine the will if I come.

Yours very sincerely,

J.H. EILAR

The will of Valentine Eiler recorded in W.R. Vol "A" page 72 does not contain the name of anyone but his wife Susanna. We do not have any record of birth of wife or parents.

Respectfully
J.S. Richmond, Deputy

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ONTARIO

DEPARTMENT OF PROVINCIAL SECRETARY
REGISTRAR-GENERAL'S BRANCH

East Block,
Toronto, August 27, 1931

Dear Sir,- **Re Valentine Eilar**

In reply to your letter of the 25th inst., I beg to advise you that we have no records of births or deaths prior to 1869, hence cannot furnish you with a certificate.

We have some marriage records dating back prior to 1869 and if Valentine Eilar was married in Ontario and you will let us know the date and place we shall be glad to make a search. The fee for a search is 50¢ for each three year period.

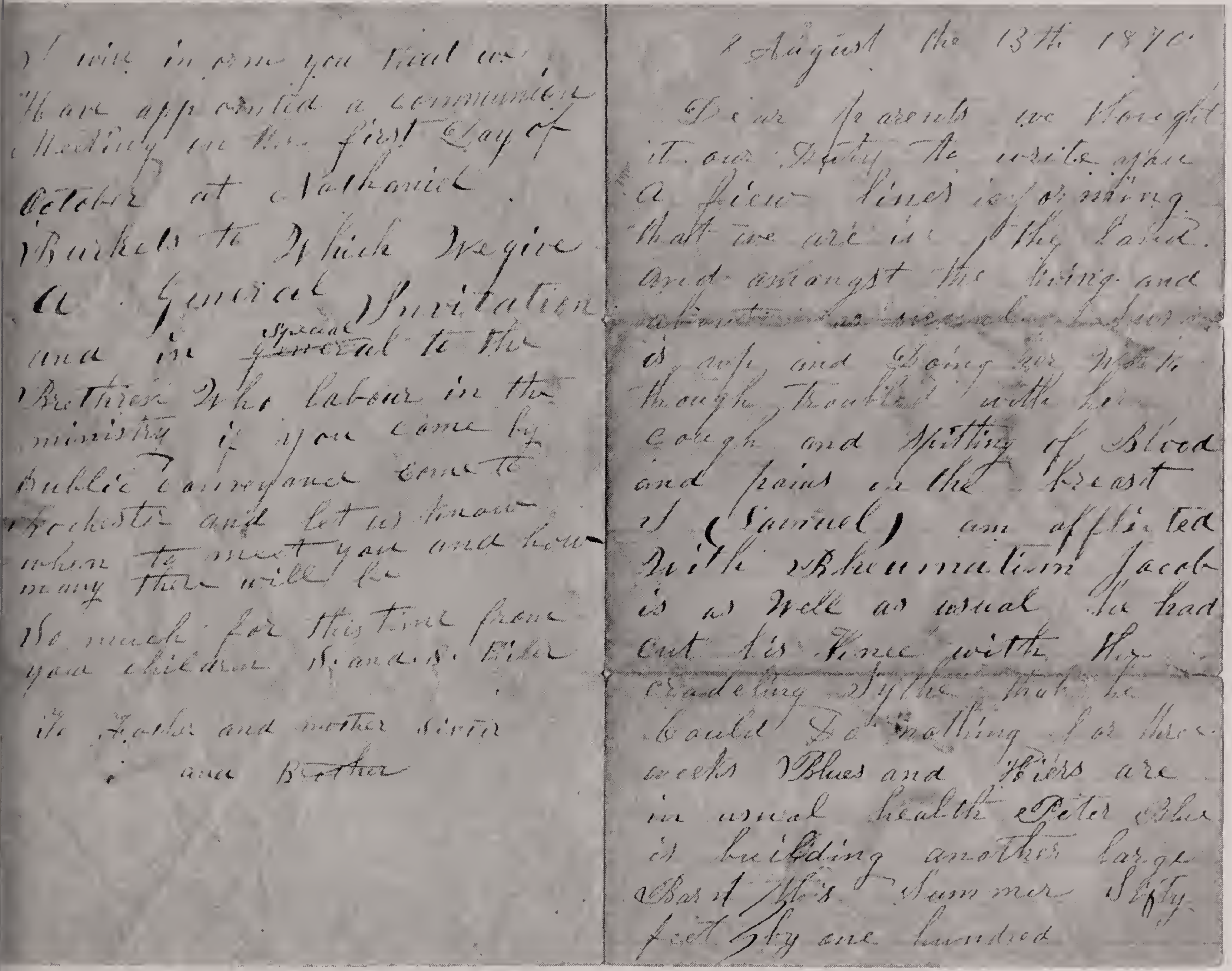
Yours truly,

Manchester

Director of Vital Statistics

J.H.Eilar, Esq.,
County Superintendent of Schools,
Newcastle, Indiana.

SJM/H



August the 13th 1870

Dear Parents we thought it our Duty to write you a few lines informing that we are in the land. And amongst the living and [illegible] is up and Doing her Work though troubled with her cough and Spitting of Blood and pains in the Breast I (Samuel) am afflicted with Rheumatism Jacob is as Well as usual he had cut his Knee with the cradeling Sythe that he could Do nothing for three weeks Blues and Biers are in usual health Peter Blue is building another large Barn this Summer fifty feet by one hundred

we inform you that we have appointed a communion Meeting on the first Day of October at Nathaniel Burkets to Which we give a General Invitation and in ~~general~~ special to the Brethren Who labour in the ministry if you come by public conveyance come to Rochester and let us know when to meet you and how many there will be

So much for this time from your children S. and S. Eller

to Father and mother sister and Brother

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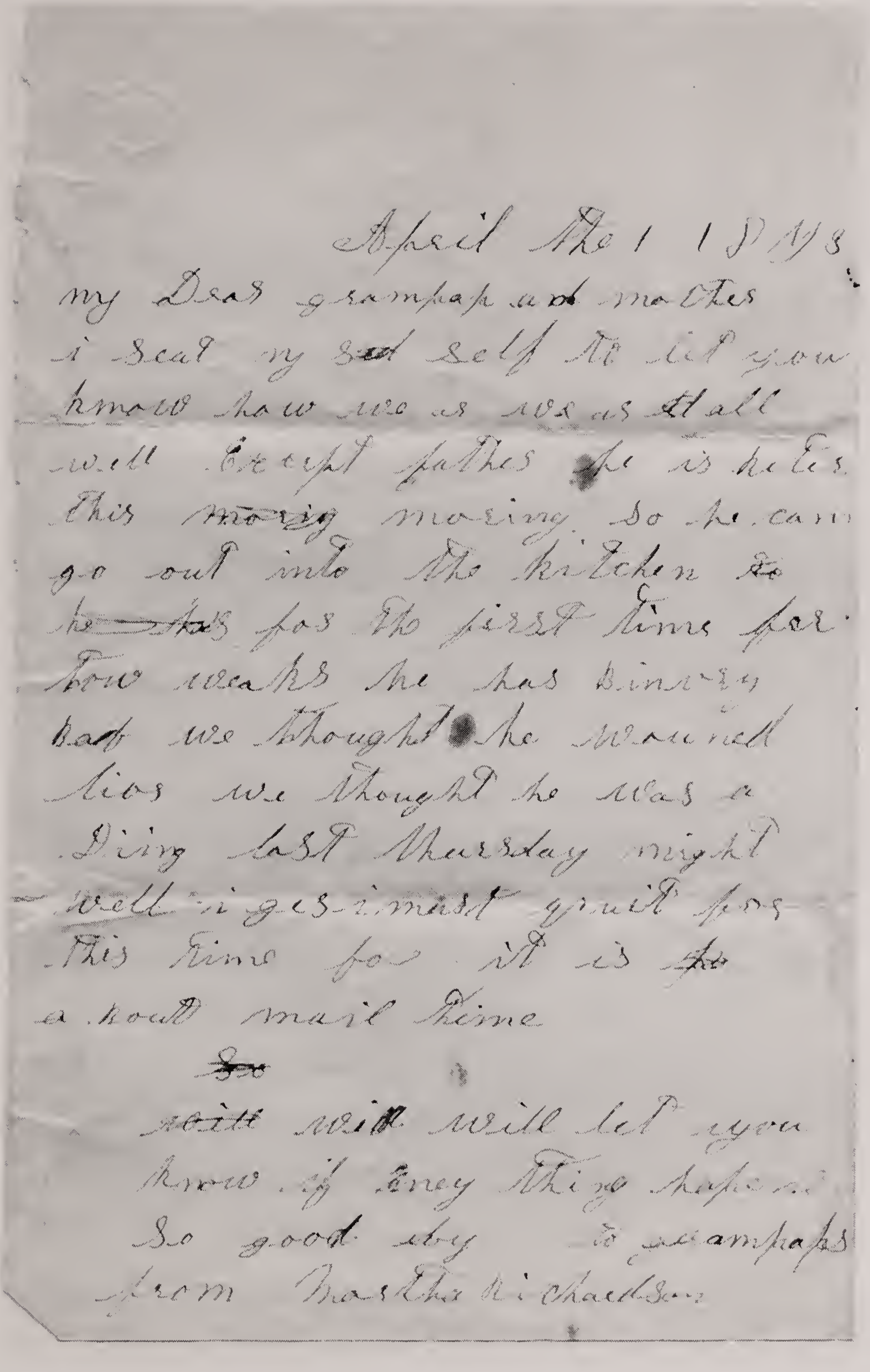
Burkets are in common health Enoch Burkets Burried their youngest Daughter on the third of this month She was one year and ten months and 17 Days old She had the flux there has been several sudden Deaths in our Section of county a man by the name of Joseph Rook took Sudently ill and in a couple of hours was a corps and old father matthew got Speechless night before last at Seven o'clock and Eleven he was a corps and Several other that I could name Died very Sudden I will inform you about our Season it has been pretty good wheat was thin on the ground But remarkable well filled Oats is good Corn looks promising potatoe Bugs are playing havoc amongst the potatoes apples are scarce as a general thing there was a hail Storm north of us that Done considerable of Dammage we are having a nice rain to Day. Well now Dear father I cant account why you dont write to us we have not had a letter from you since I was in wayne to see you and when this comes to hand we will look for one in return as it Does Do us much good to hear from you Brother Daniel you write too Too



April the 1 1873

my Dear grampap and mother
i Seat my ~~sed~~ self to let you
know how we is we as at all
will Except father he is beter
this ~~morig~~ moring so he can
go out into the kitchen ~~to~~
he ~~tas~~ for the first time for
two weaks he has bin very
bad we thought he wouldnt
live we thought he was a
Diing last thursday night
well i ges i must quit for
this time for it is ~~the~~
a bout mail time

~~So~~

~~will~~ will will let you
know if eney thing hapens
So good by to grampaps
from Martha Richardson

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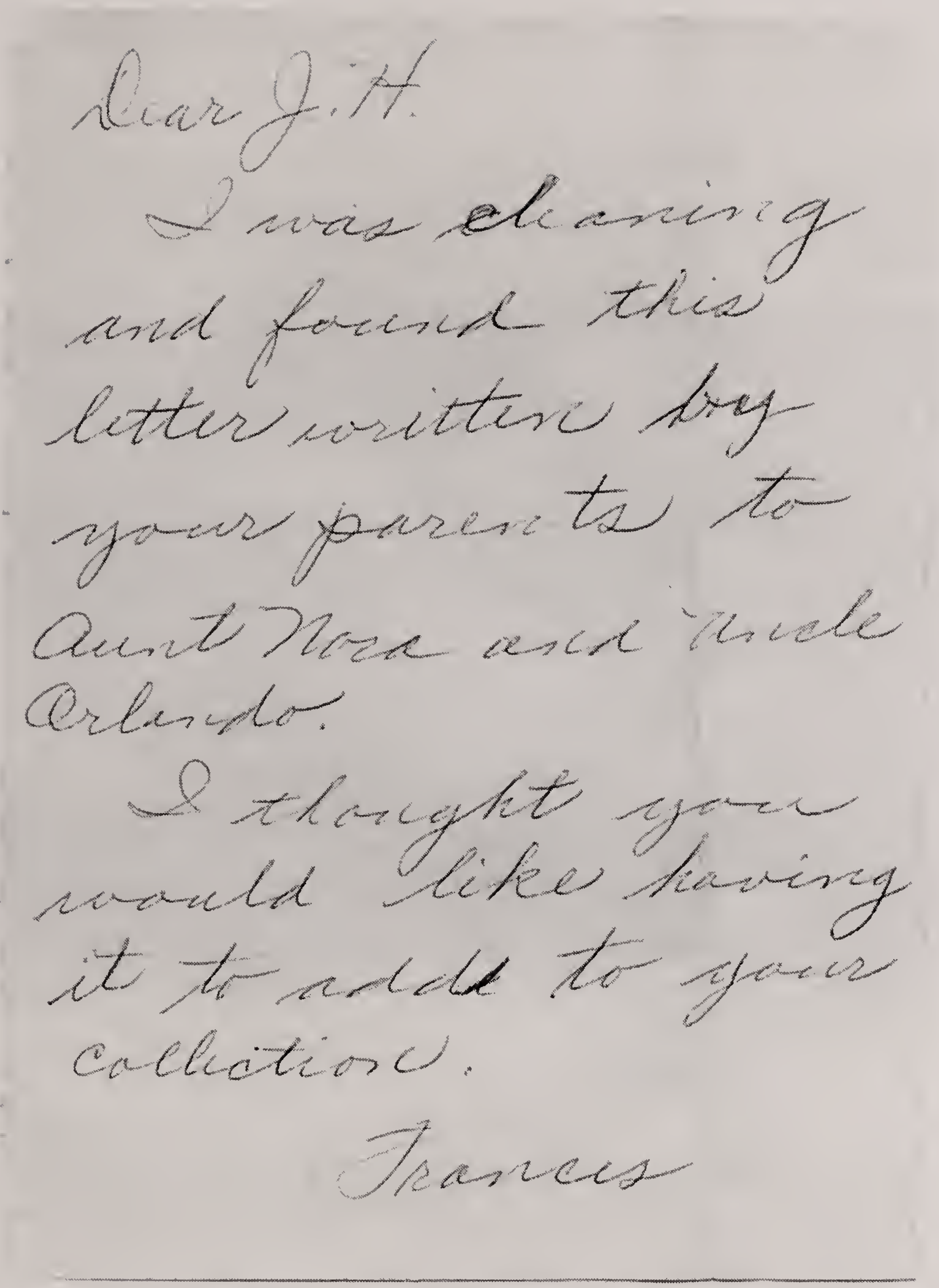
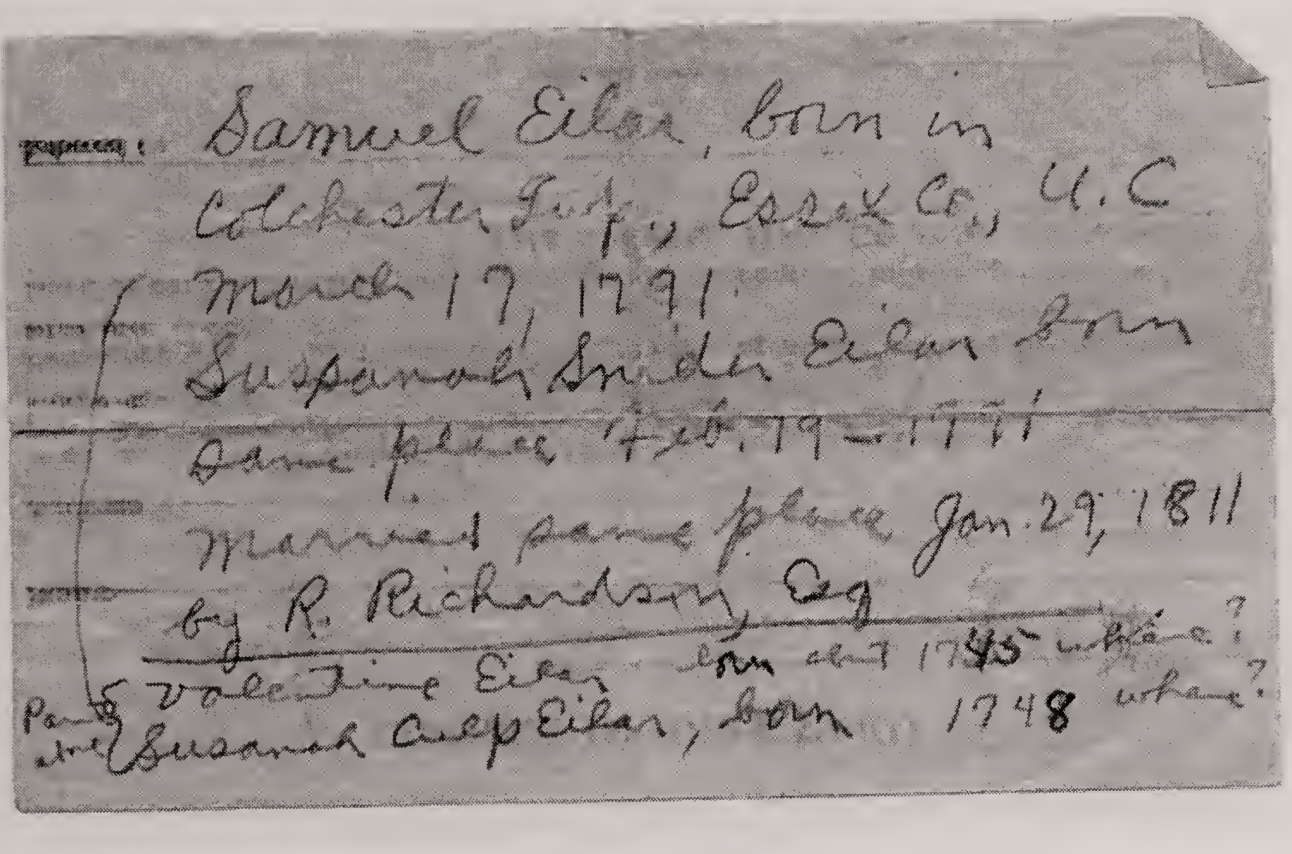


Dear J.H.

I was cleaning and found this letter written by your parents to Aunt Nora and Uncle Orlando.

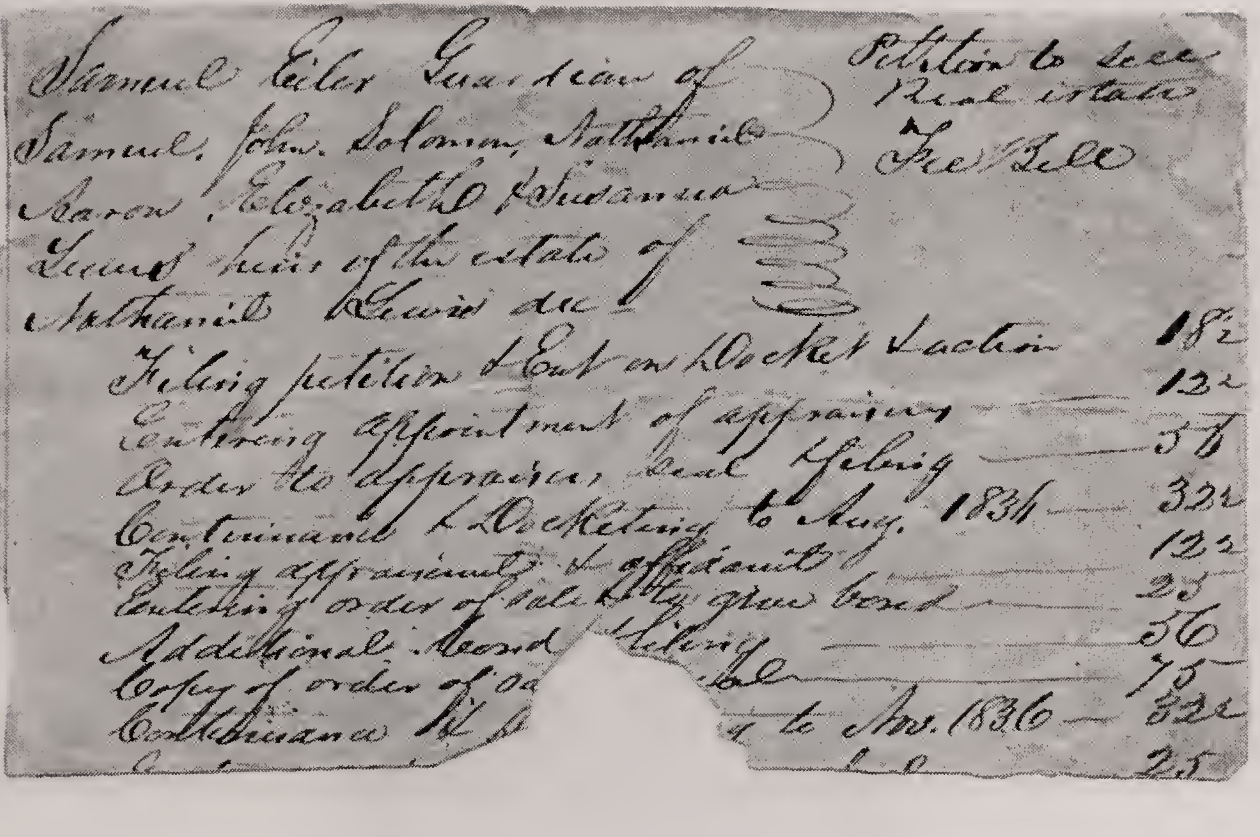
I thought you would like having it to add to your collection.

Francis



Samuel Eilar, born in
Colchester Twp., Essex Co., U.C
March 17, 1791.
Susanah Snider Eilar born
same place Feb. 19 - 1791
married same place Jan. 29, 1811
by R. Richardson, Esq

Parents { Valentine Eilar born abt 1745 where?
Susanah Culp Eilar, born 1748 where?



Samuel Eiler Guardian of
Samuel, John, Solomon, Nathaniel
Aaron, Elizabeth & Susanna
Lewis heirs of the estate of
Nathaniel Lewis dec'd

Petition to sell
Real estate
Fee Bill

Filing petition & Ent on Docket & action	18½
Entering appointment of appraisers	12½
Order to appraisers seal & filing	37
Continuance & Docketing to Aug. 1834	32½
Filing appraisement & affidavit	12½
Entering order of sale & to give bond	25
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Continuance &	to Nov. 1836	32½
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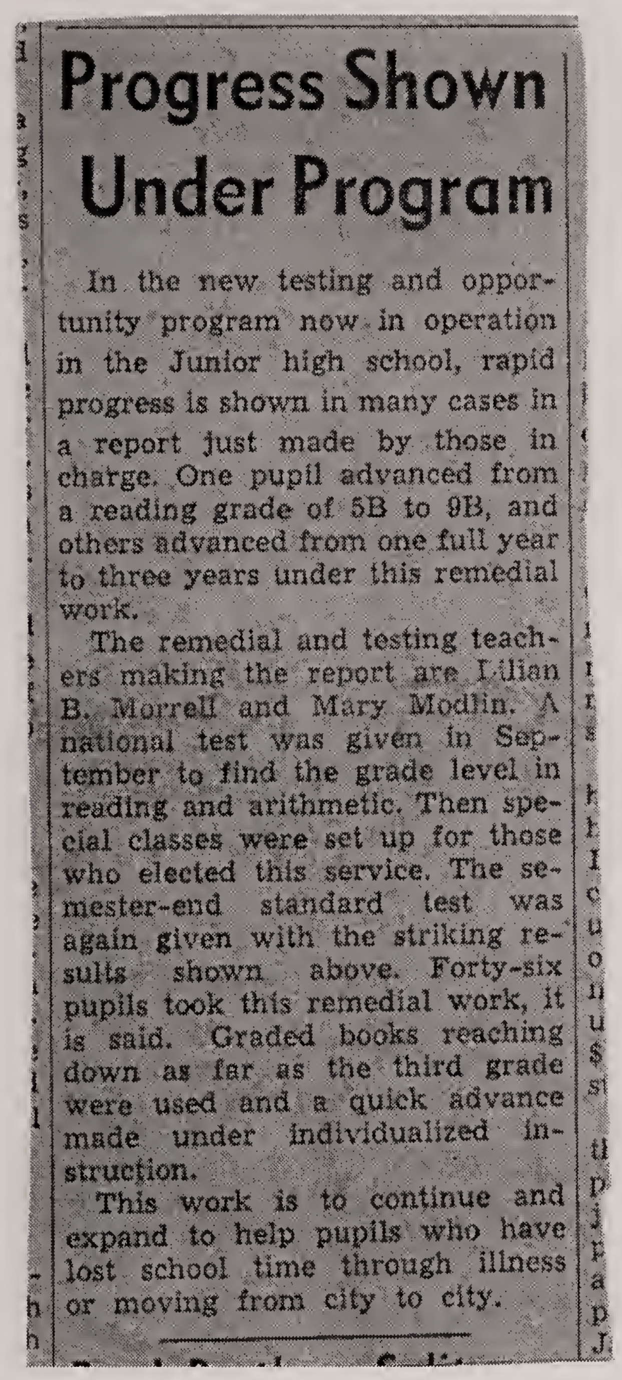

Progress Shown Under Program

In the new testing and opportunity program now in operation in the Junior high school, rapid progress is shown in many cases in a report just made by those in charge. One pupil advanced from a reading grade of 5B to 9B, and others advanced from one full year to three years under this remedial work.

The remedial and testing teachers making the report are Lilian B. Morrell and Mary Modlin. A national test was given in September to find the grade level in reading and arithmetic. Then special classes were set up for those who elected this service. The semester-end standard test was again given with the striking results shown above. Forty-six pupils took this remedial work, it is said. Graded books reaching down as far as the third grade were used and a quick advance made under individualized instruction.

This work is to continue and expand to help pupils who have lost school time through illness or moving from city to city.

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